

NEW GOVERNOR ON COLONY'S HIGH COST OF LIVING

Government Intervention Being Examined NO NEW MANDATES

British Approach To U.S. Imports To Be Cut

London, July 31.
Britain arranged high level economic talks with the United States today in a renewed bid to stave off her looming economic crisis.

The Board of Trade said that its President, Sir Stafford Cripps, would fly to Paris this afternoon for a conference with William L. Clayton, United States Under-Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, and the British press said they would consider standing Britain's imports from America to save dollars.

The British people took calmly the disclosure that the Government almost immediately would cut its armed strength, scale down the nation's standards of living and call for longer working hours to save British economy.

Few newspapers commented editorially on the revelations, which followed a "crisis" meeting yesterday of Prime Minister Clement Attlee and his Labour Members of Parliament. Those that did, wrote approvingly. — Associated Press.

Relief For China Stopped

Washington, July 30.
UNRRA today announced the suspension of 11 shipments, effective since July 28, to China, including the Communist-controlled areas of North China and Manchuria, pending negotiations of a "more satisfactory arrangement of a fair share of the UNRRA programme to Communist-held territories in China."

All supplies destined for the Communist areas and National-controlled north China areas have been impounded in the customs of the UNRRA China Office.

UNRRA is still making efforts to continue the Yellow River project, which is now at a standstill. If the Chinese Government agrees with the UNRRA proposals, UNRRA will secure the necessary guarantee from the Chinese Communist leaders, the announcement said. — Central News.

U. S. Admiral Spills The Beans

New York, July 31.
Fleet Admiral William F. Halsey, USN, says British naval units were given unimportant objectives in the final phase of the Pacific war, to prevent any postwar claim that Britain had taken part in the climatic blow against the Japanese fleet.

In an article in the "Saturday Evening Post" Halsey says on the insistence of Rear Admiral Robert B. Carney, his Chief of Staff, he assigned the British to Osaka, an alternate target, while American carriers smashed the Japanese Kure naval base, after which the Nippon fleet "ceased to exist."

Hong Kong's new Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, presiding for the first time yesterday at the Legislative Council, said he came with no new policy. There seemed to be general agreement on what was to be done and it was just a question of getting it done, he said.

He was appalled by Hong Kong's high cost of living. It is higher than anywhere else in the civilised world. Whether or not Government intervention would be effective in bringing it down was being examined, he said, and if it was found such intervention would be useful, action would be taken.

His Excellency said: "It sometimes happens that with the advent of a new Governor one gets a new policy. On occasions, that may be a good thing. There may be special reasons why a particular colony should have a new policy. But in the case of Hong Kong at this juncture, when I understand there is a general agreement on what should be done, and it is largely a question of doing it, it would be a very great mistake, in my opinion, if there were to be a new policy, because that would mean the stopping of everything that was being done and starting over again."

"It would at best mean a delay. I therefore come with no new policy, no new mandates, no new brief. My aim will simply be to get on with it."

Appalled By H.C.L.
"The most important thing at the moment is the question of housing. Though that may be so, we must not forget there are a number of other very important things that also need attention. I do not propose to go into that now. I have not been here long enough."

"But I would remark that I am appalled at the high cost of living in Hong Kong. I should say that it is higher than in any other civilised country in the world today. Whether or not Government intervention would be effective or practicable I am not in a position to say. But if on examination I find that Government intervention could be useful and that Government has not at present the requisite powers, then I shall come before this Council and ask them to give Government these powers."

"Generally, the Legislative Council is the most important body in the Colony of Hong Kong. It makes the laws, it imposes the taxes, it authorises the expenditures, and through the mouths of the unofficial members makes Government aware of public complaints and grievances. It is, therefore, I think, to be regretted that despite the very good coverage that the Press gives to the proceedings of this Council, there does seem to be general apathy among the public as to what goes on here."

Not Complacent
"I think the reason for that is, by and large, and I use these words advisedly—that the people of Hong Kong are well satisfied with the Government."

difficult times. That places on our shoulders extremely heavy responsibilities. But I feel sure that the record of previous Councils and the performance of this Council give guarantees that these responsibilities will be discharged to the best of our humanly possible."

Major Calamity In China?

New York, July 30.
China, land of "catastrophe" and floods this summer, may well produce one of the major calamities of her history before next year, according to Dr. Lee H. Bates Moss, Executive Director of the World Church Council on Distress, who has just returned from a three-month tour of the East.

Dr. Moss said the Chinese Government is "too absorbed in the struggle with the Communists to give more than passing attention to the matter."

Dr. Moss visited China the Philippines, Indonesia, Malaya and Siam, conferring with government authorities and Church leaders concerning post-war problems of their countries and people. He reported that a basis had been formed for framing a reconstruction programme of the American churches in Asia for the next several years. — Central News.

Hunan Man-Made Famine Revelations

Hankow, July 30.
Despite the fact that Hunan rice fields are bursting with grain, China's "rice bowl" faces the possibility of a man-made famine this winter because farmers cannot afford to buy their own rice.

As a result, UNRRA officials are distributing food shipped from the United States to replace the food which merchants are shipping from Hunan province to more profitable markets up and down the Yangtze River.

A source who has just returned from Changsha, capital of Hunan, told United Press that a famine looms in the midst of plenty because the farmers were forced to sell their crops to local merchants. When they needed money for food last winter.

Now the merchants are selling it back to them at ten times the purchase price. A farmer who sold his rice for CN\$18,000 a pichu is forced to buy it back for \$180,000.

As few farmers can afford such prices, Hunan's rice is pouring into Hankow and other cities, and side Hunan "provinces" by river, rail, and cart despite the ban on food exports from the province.

UNRRA is shipping rice, milk, soap powder and tinned food from United States into Hunan. The price of rice dropped one week to \$150,000 because of the flow of rice from Hunan but prices in Hunan were not affected.

UNRRA Incensed
Local UNRRA officials are incensed over this situation and they are exerting all possible pressure, largely in vain so far.

Last week, UNRRA officials intervened at the last minute to prevent a CNRRA river steamer from carrying a cargo of Hunan rice to Hankow for a private merchant in defiance of the ban.

Persons here from Changsha said that some farmers have already sold the crop which they hope to plant after the present one is harvested, in order to buy at least a part of the current crop to feed their families. — United Press.

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Incident On Macao Border

Macao, July 31.
Angry villagers from the Chinese territory adjacent to the Macao border blockaded the border entrance for several hours on Tuesday afternoon, following the death of a bicyclist allegedly at the hands of a Macao policeman.

Carrying a passenger on the big vegetable dealers from back seat, the bicyclist, Chu Wan-ping, failed to stop at the border while coming from Shek Ki at 11 a.m. on Tuesday. A Macao policeman on duty at the entrance allegedly beat and kicked him to the ground.

BRITISH SERGEANTS FOUND HANGED BLASTED BY EXPLOSIVES

Jerusalem, July 31.
A cunningly contrived booby trap today blasted to bits the bodies of two British sergeants, hanging from a tree near Nathanya, 24 hours after the Irgun Zvai Leumi had killed them in reprisal for the execution of three Irgunists by the Palestine Government.

A British soldier was wounded by the blast and "AP" Photographer James Pringle was knocked to the ground by the explosion which blew to pieces flesh for 50 yards.

The trap exploded as the first body was cut down. The two blackened bodies were found hanging five miles from Nathanya. The murdered men had been the object of intense search since they were kidnapped on July 12 to be held as hostages for the condemned Irgunists.

The doctor summoned to the scene of the hangings said the sergeants apparently were killed within 24 hours after the execution of the Irgunists at Acre Prison last Tuesday. — Associated Press.

21 Women Burned To Death

Paris, July 31.
Twenty-one women prisoners burned to death early today when a gas leak broke through the army barracks where they were confined.

M. Henri Vergonnes, President of the Paris Municipal Council, said between 200 and 300 women, many of them prostitutes, were placed in the barracks because the Paris jails were full. They were working with inflammable material which exploded, he said, adding they were not locked in.

However, Army officers, who said they were not allowed near the women, asserted the women were locked in and unable to escape when the fire started. They said the women were working with celluloid.

Police, firemen and the military authorities were reluctant to give details. Soldiers said they were ordered to "say absolutely nothing." — United Press.

Gold Flown To Macao

Macao, July 31.
A Trans-Atlantic Airways seaplane, No. 222, made two trips to Macao from Manila on Tuesday and yesterday with two shipments of Mexican gold.

The aircraft brought 10,000 ounces of gold on its first trip to Macao at 3:40 p.m. on Tuesday and returned to Manila at 6 p.m. the same evening.

The same seaplane arrived here again yesterday morning with another consignment of Mexican gold. The exact amount of this shipment was not disclosed. The aircraft returned to Manila today. — Central News.

The Weather

Pressure is high SE of Japan and in a ridge extending from Mindanao to India. Depressions over Mongolia, Manchuria and the Eastern Sea are moving NE.
Today's forecast:—Moderate SW winds, backing. Weather, partly cloudy with isolated morning showers.
Yesterday's Weather:—
Maximum: 89.5 deg. Fah.
Minimum: 61.4 deg. Fah.
Rainfall: 1.03 inches.
Since Jan. 1—1454.9 mm. as against an average of 1641.6 mm.
Readings at:
10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Damp at m.a.l. 1008.7 1007.8 m.b.
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Wind force 11. 11. 11. 11. 11. 11.

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Marine Magistrate Explains

A maximum \$200 fine imposed by Marine Magistrate Neil Garland on July 24 on a junkmaster for carrying 15 excess passengers, and a recommendation for the junk licence to be cancelled, despite defendant's plea that he had chartered the junk only a month before and was not responsible for the previous seven offences, was recalled yesterday in the same Court when Chief Junk Inspector Frank Brett prosecuted Po Tung, said to be the late master, for failing to report change of masters.

Salesmen Were Too Vocal

Ng Ching, 37, and Leung Choi, 36, were purveyors of preserved offal and being real go-getters, followed in adopting the latest, and most popular, method of selling their goods. They not only carried their prospects with songs but also with "music" from a Chinese trumpet and wooden drum.

Being itinerant hawkers, they had never heard of Ordinance 40 of 1932, Section 6 of which specifically laid down that it is an offence for hawkers to shout out, or otherwise make a noise to attract attention to their wares. The police knew all about this Ordinance and getting fed up with the numerous complaints in the local Press regarding hawkers crying out their wares, took Ng and Leung into custody.

When these two musical salesmen appeared before Mr. W. H. Lattimer at Kowloon yesterday, Inspector J. Orem informed the Court that it was the first case of its kind and that the Police was not asking for a heavy penalty. He went on to ask His Worship to issue a general warning that the maximum fine of \$200 would be imposed on future offenders.

At the request of Mr. Lattimer, Inspector Orem gave a practical demonstration on both the trumpet and the drum. The noise which emitted from these two "musical instruments" were so hideous that His Worship instructed Inspector Orem to make sure that "these monstrosities" were destroyed.

Defendants were fined \$10 each and told to tell their friends that if any of them appear in Court in the future charged with the same offence they would not get off so lightly.

HKVDC ORDERS

Information Requested: Any one having any knowledge of a Lieutenant A. J. McMahon, E.C. 7427, L.A.O.C., is asked to communicate with the Adjutant without delay. It is thought that this officer served with the Corps from December, 1939 to December, 1941 when he went to Manila, where he was interned. Hong Kong Services Rifle Association: Practice Shots Saturday, Aug. 2, and Sunday, Aug. 3 are cancelled. In future Practice Shots will take place fortnightly commencing Saturday, Aug. 9 and Sunday, Aug. 10. These shots will be in the form of small competitive practice. The Commandant hopes that the keen shots of the Corps will make a point of attending these shots. Holiday: H.K.V.D.C. Headquarters, Lower Albert Road, will be closed on Monday, Aug. 4, 1947. (Sd.) G. H. CALVERT, Captain, for Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

"HONG KHENG" FINDINGS Ship Set Off Course By Unusual Current Two Omissions Of Master

That an unusual current set the ill-fated s.s. "Hong Kheng" off its course and that the Master of the vessel was responsible for failing to avail himself of the advice afforded by the "Sailing Directions" and failing to take soundings in circumstances which clearly indicated their necessity, were the findings of the Marine Court of Inquiry into the loss of the ship on the rocks at Chikang Point on July 19.

The Court comprising Harbour Master James Jolly (President), Lieutenant F. E. Neville-Towle, R.N., and Captain R. E. Smith, Master Mariner, also unanimously agreed that the Master of the ship, Captain D. R. Bannerman, must be censured but did not find it necessary to either suspend or cancel his Certificate of Competency as Master of a foreign-going steamship.

The findings of the Court, read out by Mr. Jolly at the Marine Court yesterday afternoon, were:

"We find that the British vessel 'Hong Kheng' registered at the Port of Singapore and owned by the Ho Hong Steamship Company, (1932) Limited, of Singapore left the Port of Victoria, Hongkong, at about 1830 hours on Friday the 18th. day of July, 1947, and that Captain Douglas Ronald Bannerman was Master of the vessel and had cleared her for Swatow with 1620 Asiatic passengers and a crew of 181 but carrying no cargo.

"At 2042 hours on the same day and when in a position 173 degrees distant 2.0 miles from the island known as the South Ninepin the course was set 075 degrees to pass approximately 8.0 miles off Chikang Point. The wind was E.N.E. with a force of from 5 to 6 on the Beaufort Scale and the visibility was fair with occasional rain storms.

Only Foki

It was revealed in Court that the Harbour Master had not acted on the Magisterial recommendation and the junk licence was not cancelled.

Po Tung, through his counsel Mr. H.L. Kwan, pleaded not guilty, stating he was still the master of the junk and there had been no change. To Sam, who was convicted on July 24, was not the master but only a foki of the chartered who was put on the craft in charge.

When the prosecutor tried to ask Po Tung whether he was on board the junk at the time To Sam was apprehended, Mr. Kwan jumped up and said he would forbid his client to answer such a question.

The case against Po Tung was withdrawn by the prosecution.

Charged with possession of an apparatus for radio communication without a licence, Mok Tak-yau, of 150 Lockhart Road, 3rd floor, was remanded for two days in police custody when he appeared before Mr. F.X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday.

Abnormal Set

"This is especially so in this particular case for the time of day precluded any form of observations and bearings, and navigational hazards were increased by the uncertain visibility and the fact that the important light on Chikang Point was extinguished.

"We are agreed that the 'Hong Kheng' experienced an abnormal and unpredictable set and drift which may be reasonably attributed to the tropical revolving storm which passed roughly 120 miles to the southwards of the vessel on the 18th. July, 1947, and in this matter the Court is guided by the remarks on Page 15 of the 'Sailing Directions'—China Sea Pilot, Volume III which states as follows:

"In the vicinity of a tropical revolving storm the set of the current may be markedly different from that to be expected normally.

"The tropical storm produces a set radiating outwards from the centre of the storm, which is probably due to a combination of the following:—

Additional Set

(a) A swell radiating from the centre.

(b) The piling up of water in the centre, producing a more or less radial flow.

(c) The effects of the earth's rotation upon currents generated by the winds associated with the storm.

"The set of the currents actually experienced at a place in the vicinity of a tropical storm will, therefore, be a combination of the set of the current to be expected normally at that place and this additional set radiating from the centre of the tropical storm. When the first of these is relatively weak the radial set will be predominant, and in particular situations may produce a resultant set

Coming Events

August 2—Douglas S.S. Co. Ltd. annual meeting, 11 a.m.
August 7—H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd. annual meeting, 11 a.m.
August 7—Inaugural meeting of H.K. Council of Women, YWCA, Duddell St., 5.15 p.m.
August 12—H.K. & S'hai Hotels annual meeting, noon.

completely different from the normal. Unless, therefore, due allowance is made for this radial set, very serious errors in reckoning may arise."

"We have considered the fact that the 'Hong Kheng' was not manned in accordance with the requirements of the Merchant Shipping Acts in so far as she did not carry a duly certificated 1st. Mate but only an acting 1st. Mate holding a 2nd. Mate's Certificate of Competency for a Foreign-going steamship, and also a 2nd. Mate holding a 1st. Mate's Home Trade Certificate, which circumstances were occasioned by the unfortunate accident to the 1st. Mate which necessitated his being landed for medical attention on the 18th. of July, 1947.

"In view of the nature of the short voyage, and the prevailing shortage of certificated officers in these difficult days, the Court is completely satisfied that the 'Hong Kheng,' although not manned to statutory requirements, was in no way endangered by the temporary absence of the 1st. Mate."

"We are of the opinion that the discipline on board the vessel remained consistently good at all times, and that the Master and his Officers had full command of the situation and supervised the disembarkation of the passengers in a seamanlike manner."

"We accept the evidence of the Acting Port Health Officer that four of the survivors died after leaving the 'Hong Kheng,' and also his assurances that none of these deaths could be attributed to the casualty but that all four persons had died of natural causes."

"We find:—
(a) That the 'Hong Kheng' was lost by stranding on the Reef Island rocks having been set off her course by an unusual current.
(b) That the Master of the vessel is responsible for two omissions in that he failed to avail himself of the advice afforded by the 'Sailing Directions' and also that he failed to take soundings in circumstances which clearly indicated their necessity."

"We commend the action of the Master in considering the lives of the passengers as being of prior importance to any immediate attempt to refloat the vessel which might well have resulted in the vessel foundering in deep water with a probable heavy loss of life."

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Tears At Supreme Court

The Letchikok murder case ended yesterday when Nu Weichin was found guilty of the murder of a fellow watchman, Ni Tsun-sang, at the Standard Oil Company installation, Letchikok, on May 3 and sentenced to death by the Pulane Judge, Mr. Williams, at the Sessions yesterday.

The case was tried before a special jury. At the previous trial which ended on July 16 the jury disagreed.

Mr. A. Clifford, assisted by Inspector Dowman, was for the prosecution while the defence was conducted by Mr. Hin Shing-fo.

The Crown alleged that accused shot deceased because the latter had reported him for gambling in the quarters. Throughout the hearing, the accused's wife and infant child were present in the corridors of the Court house and yesterday she gave evidence on his behalf.

When she heard the verdict, she burst out in tears and when the court had risen was to be seen sitting on the floor under the verandah, crying loudly.

Stole Solicitor's Suiting

Were it not for the alertness of his amah and the fleetfootedness of Police Lance-Corporal 1084, Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones would be minus a suit of flannel clothing. Owing to the above combination, Lam Sing was ordered by Mr. W. H. Lattimer yesterday to spend the next four months in Stanley Gaol.

According to Inspector J. Orem, Kwok Ying, Mr. Hugh-Jones' amah was blithely ironing clothes at 10 Camarvon Road at about 2.55 p.m. on Wednesday when she spotted a Chinese male calmly enter the garden through the gate-way. With equal equanimity, the said Chinese proceeded to take down a flannel suit from the clothes line.

Being the guardian of her employer's property, it was but natural that Kwok Ying should feel highly incensed at this audacious "borrowing" of Mr. Hugh-Jones' wearing apparel. She immediately proceeded to test her lung power and the far reaching effects of her voice.

Her shout of "Thief" carried beyond the garden gates and reached the ears of Police Lance-Corporal 1084 who was on patrol duty in the vicinity. With commendable promptitude he chased after the running figure and, after a short chase, arrested him.

When asked by Mr. Lattimer what he had to say, Lam Ten-dered filial love as the reason for his slip. He was, he said, formerly employed as a washerman with the 27th Field Battery, R.A., and lost his job

Personalia

The wedding of Miss Madge Griffiths, 6, Mount Road, Walsley, Cheshire, and Mr. Ronald Ruskin Todd, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hong Kong, will take place on August 15 at St. John's Cathedral. Miss Griffiths is expected to arrive in the Colony by August 8.

The following were passengers by C.P.A. planes:—
From Singapore:—N.F.B. Sampson, Maj. J. Hope, F/O J.J. Michael, S/Ldr. Cotterell, F/O Duleu, F/L D.E. Gray.

From Bangkok:—M.N. Curtis, Burns, Ik Ming Tan, Kow Min Sin, Tan Sung, Low Nang Chin, Ha Chung Nong, Tan Peck Tee.

For Manila:—Miss E.M. Greenop, Mrs. M. Eigenfeld, Sp. Bow Gaw, Mr. and Mrs. Clarkin, N.F.B. Sampson.

The forthcoming wedding of Dr. Lim Cheung-ai and Miss Goh Sing-yung, both residing at Kowloon Hotel, is announced.

Palmer & Turner's Shanghai office has been reopened, with Mr. A. Pullen, L.R.I.B.A. (partner) in charge.

Lieut. Colonel F.L.T. Clifford, of Ottawa and Hamilton, has been appointed Canadian Military Attaché in China, succeeding Brigadier W.N. Bestook, who has retired.

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday included M.C. Tung, C.M.C. Bolton, E.K. Hindmarsh, A.E. Hughes, W.S. Blogg, Dr. K.H. Uttley and E.F. Hardman.

Wednesday departures from the Peninsula Hotel included B.M. Brabant, S. Devuhstin, S.E. Falthul, Mr. and Mrs. M. Feyoux, Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Stringfellow, A.W. Hogan and Miss J. Owen.

Readers' Letters

Spitting

Sir,—The Health Officers have been very busy arresting people spitting on ferries. Might I ask when these Officers propose to pay a little attention to what is happening on board trams? Is there a fear that if action is taken, in respect of trams, the staff of the Tramway Company is likely to be depleted since employees of the company are the chief offenders.

ANTI SPITTING.

Tram Tickets

Sir,—Is the public to understand that the Hong Kong Tramway Company has instituted a system which was so popular during the Japanese operation of the Company, namely, the demanding back of tickets from passengers. It is becoming an all too prevalent practice on the part of conductors to ask passengers back for tickets just as they are alighting. An explanation from the Tramway Company would be appreciated.

TRAM TRAVELLER.

I. AND E'S NEW ADDRESS

As from Aug. 1, 1947 the cable address of the Imports and Exports Department will be: "Emporet, Hong Kong." Merchant Houses are advised to inform their overseas agents of this change which will facilitate the transmission of communications which such agents may desire to make with the Hong Kong Imports and Exports Department.

through the second and third reading of the four Bills introduced at the last session a fortnight ago. They were the Verandah and Baycones (Inclosure for Office Accommodation) Ordinance 1947, the Larceny Amendment Ordinance 1947, the Magistrates' Amendment Ordinance 1947, and the Jury Amendment Ordinance 1947.

Council then adjourned to Thursday, August 14, at 2.30 p.m.

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Importance Of The Press

Commons Debate On Cuts In Newsprint

One-Sheet Paris Newspapers

Paris, July 30. All Paris evening papers appeared on a single sheet of two pages today as the Government axed French consumption of newsprint.

The cut was announced by the syndicate of the Paris press on July 23.

It required all French newspapers to use a single sheet once in July, six times during August and once in September, and to publish no newspaper at all on August 15.

After September 4, the newspapers will consist of four pages daily.

Most of today's morning newspapers, which appeared in their regular four-page form, printed apologies for the cuts which will require them to publish one sheet tomorrow.—Itu-

"Give The Public What It Wants"

London, July 30. Lord Layton, Chairman of the London Liberal dailies "News Chronicle" and "Star" and until recently Chairman of the British Newsprint Supply Company, accused the Government in the House of Lords of committing "grave errors," both at home and abroad by their decision to postpone newsprint imports from Canada and reduce newspapers to their wartime low of four pages.

Initiating a debate on newsprint, Lord Layton declared that the Government had underrated the importance of the Press today in a democratic community and deprived it of adequate means of doing its job.

Warning of the necessity of honouring long-term contracts made with the Government's sanction between the Newsprint Supply Company and the newsprint mills of Canada and Newfoundland, he declared that by postponing imports, the

Government was "imperilling" one of the few pieces of constructive planning.

Lord Layton said a Gallup poll (run by the "News Chronicle") recently disclosed that 58 per cent of Britons relied on newspapers in the formation of their public opinions, 41 per cent on the radio, 13 per cent on books and eight per cent on magazines and other sources.

He emphasised that sports news, as well as Parliamentary reports, had to be published.

"You have to give the public what it wants to read if you are going to induce it to read what you want it to read."

Lord Layton declared that in every newspaper office, executives were examining their employment sheets and costs to see what they could do to economise.

They were doing this because if they were to have four-page newspapers for two years, they knew for certain that overseas offices which had been built up must be demobilised because there was no room to print what they sent.

There was also a financial reason. During the same week in which the cut was announced, he said, there was also a rise in the price of home newsprint, which added about \$2,000,000 to the bill of the press at home. The individual independent newspapers and those with the smallest circulation would "feel the pinch."

Frustration

The result was a sense of frustration in the newspaper industry, Lord Layton continued. "It closes the door for two years on any serious intake into a profession which could play a very great role in national life."

Referring to Canadian contracts, he said that the press had counted on Canada for a third of their supplies.

"Simple common sense insurance indicates that we ought to draw at least one third of our basic supplies of an essential industry from an alternative source to North Europe."

He said that Canadian manufacturers had asked British newspaper owners to sign twelve-year contracts, and most of them had done so.

Lord Layton declared that he did not know on what sort of grounds he could go back to Canada and ask for the reopening of negotiations if those contracts were not being kept and honoured.

He accused the Government of scuttling the proportions fixing as to what was the minimum for the British press and what was needed for food, gasoline and raw materials.

"We... Insist"

"We therefore insist that these long-range contracts, both in the interest of the press and in the interests of the credit of the country as a whole, should be maintained."

Lord Layton said that representatives of the press had yesterday discussed the position with Sir Stafford Cripps, President of the Board of Trade, who had said that he was prepared to reconsider the problem

MR. BELCHER AGREES

London, July 30. Mr. J. W. Belcher, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade, agreed yesterday in the House of Commons to consider any practicable proposal on the lines suggested by two Labour members to take delivery of Canadian newsprint to the extent to which Britain had contracted and sell the rest at monthly intervals to hard currency areas.—United Press.

Silent Soviet Sages?

London, July 30. Soviet intellectuals have been told to "guard jealously all Soviet scientific and industrial secrets and not disclose discoveries and inventions made in our country to the capitalist world," Moscow Radio said today.

Quoting a lecture by the Soviet Minister for Higher Education, M. S. V. Kaftanov, the radio said that he urged intellectuals to "abstain from too close relations with foreign intellectual circles," and "prevent our young people from any ideological contamination from outside."

They must realise "the overwhelming superiority of our socialist culture over the culture of the capitalist countries" and must wage an "incessant and energetic fight against capitalist ideology," according to M. Kaftanov.—Reuter.

Possible Cause Of Brest Explosion

Paris, July 30. A lighted cigarette end may have caused the explosion in Brest harbour two days ago, according to unconfirmed reports circulating in the port today.

The explosion which occurred in the Norwegian nitrate ship "Ocean Liberty" caused 21 deaths. Unofficial estimates put the number of injured at 500, with damage estimated at over \$2,000,000.

The Norwegian Consul today placed the Norwegian flag on the coffin of Captain Holtz, Master of the "Ocean Liberty," who was killed in the explosion. The victims of the disaster will be buried tomorrow after a special service in the Church of St. Michel at Brest.

The import of nitrate into France by sea will be banned until further notice, the French Government decided today. The Government has also decided to request Parliament to vote 250,000,000 francs for relief and reconstruction work at Brest.

Ship Moved

Earlier today, the port authorities at Le Havre moved the 7,210-ton United States cargo ship "Arthur P. Fairfield," loaded

with sacks of ammonium nitrate, outside the harbour as a precautionary measure.

In Brest itself, communications have been partly restored and an official inquiry into the cause of the explosion opened.—Reuter.

Labour MP Guilty Of Contempt

London, July 30. The House of Commons Committee of Privileges reported today that Mr. Garry Allighan (Labour) admitted having provided accounts of a secret meeting of the Parliamentary Labour Party to the "Evening Standard" and received payment for his services.

The Committee found Allighan guilty "of aggravated contempt of the House of which he is a member and of gross breach of privilege."

The Lord President of the Council, Mr. Herbert Morrison, announcing publication of the Committee report, told the House, amid laughter: "The matter is complicated by the absence of Mr. Allighan who, I am informed, is on his way to South Africa on medical advice."

The Committee report said Herbert Gunn, editor of the "Evening Standard"—in which newspaper an account of a private meeting of the Labour Party last August 23 gave rise to wide demands for investigation of the leakage—admitted his newspaper paid \$30 weekly for reports of such meetings and other political matters.

Gunn told the Committee the report was received from an agency called the Transatlantic Press and that he had known a "particular Member of Parliament" was the author of such reports.

Under examination, Gunn told the Committee the author was Allighan and reports had been supplied regularly.

Guy Schofield, editor of the "Evening News," admitted to the Committee that his newspaper had regularly paid \$5 weekly to a Member of Parliament who regularly supplied accounts of private meetings. Schofield and his political correspondent, Stanley Dobson, refused to disclose the member's name.

"Money Or Drink"

Paradoxically, the investigation stemmed from an article published by the "World's Press News," a trade magazine, on April 10, in which Allighan charged that members of

Parliament divulged secret information when plying with newspapermen with money, drink, or the promise of favours to come.

The report said that when he was first examined, Allighan said he knew of no member who supplied secret news to the press. After Gunn's admission, however, he told the Committee he had supplied a report of the private meeting "in obedience to what he conceived to be his duty as a journalist which... he had regarded as superior to his duty as a Member of the House."

It said also that Allighan appeared to have a controlling interest in the "Transatlantic Press Agency."

It pointed out the "general effect of evidence... by editors, journalists and others representing various newspapers, was indignation at the suggestion that the press sought or obtained confidential information from Members of Parliament either by paying them in money or in kind or when Members were under the influence of drink."

—United Press.

No Evidence

The committee considered that there was no evidence whatever to justify Mr. Allighan's general charges, and they constituted a grave breach of privilege, which was aggravated by the fact that he was seeking to cause suspicion in others in respect of the very matter of which he knew himself guilty.

The committee also considered that Mr. A. J. Heighway, editor and publisher of the "World's Press News," should be reprimanded.

The committee said they were glad to know that journalists generally held the view that such transactions between newspapers and Members of the House were quite out of accordance with the best standards of journalism.—Reuter.

PRICE ON HIS HEAD

Athens, July 30. The Greek Government, in a decree today, put a price of 20,000,000 drachmas on the head of Markos Vafsiades, alias "General Markos," leader of the guerrillas.

Markos was described as a "brigand" and charged with "rebellion against the state and criminally working on behalf of foreign powers."

—Reuter.

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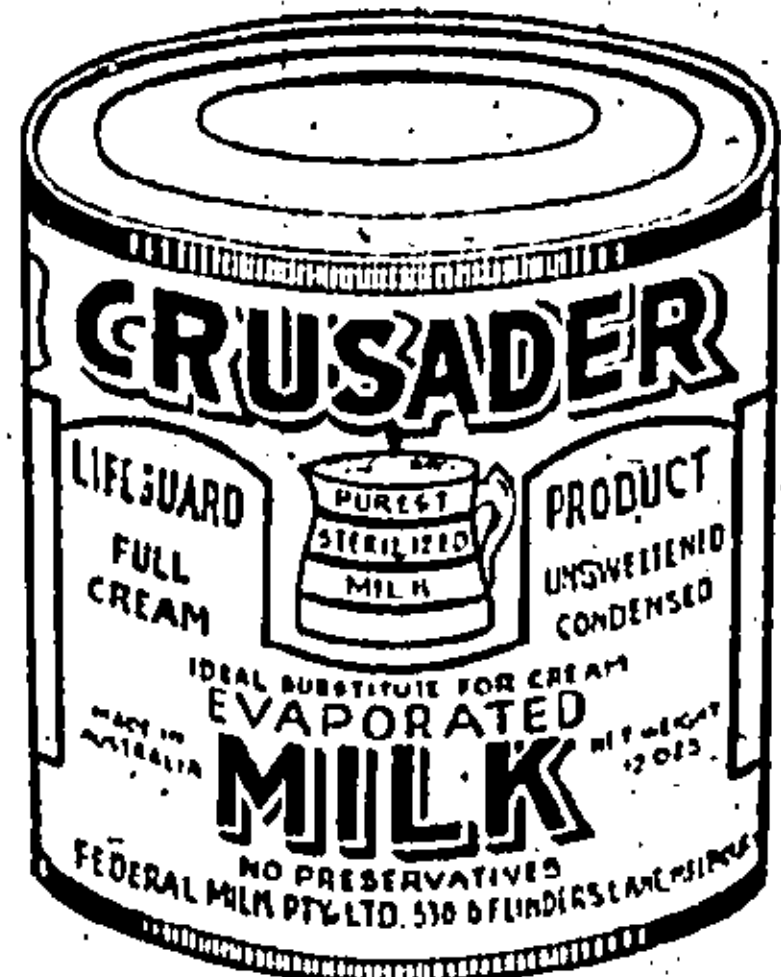
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A Meeting will be held on
Thursday 7th August 1947, at
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Bernacchi, Barrister at Law,
Princes Building, Des Voeux
Road 2nd Floor to consider the
formation of a branch of the
Association in Hong Kong. The
Chair will be taken by Brook
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Royal Marines of all ranks and
Categories resident in the Colony
are earnestly requested to
attend.

(Sd) Brook Bernacchi.
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(To whom all Communica-
tions should be sent).

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members
Double Tenth Race
Meeting, October 1947.

Tickets (at \$2.— each) for
the Special Cash Sweep on the
"Kwongtung Handicap" which
will be run at the above Meeting
can be obtained at the office of
the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Ex-
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S. A. SLEAP,
Actg. Secretary.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that
the Fifty-sixth Ordinary Annual
Meeting of the Members of this
Company will be held at the
Office of Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Thurs-
day the 7th August, 1947, at
Noon, to receive the Report of
the Board of Directors and
Statement of Accounts for the
year ended 31st December,
1946, to elect Directors and to
appoint Auditors.

NOTICE is also given that
the Transfer Books of the Com-
pany will be closed from the
24th July, 1947, to the 7th
August, 1947, both days inclu-
sive.

By order of the Board of
Directors.

CHAS. E. TERRY,
Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 10th July, 1947.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an Extraordinary General
Meeting of the Company will be
held at the Office of Messrs.
Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.,
on Thursday, 7th August, 1947,
at 12.30 p.m., or at such time as
the Ordinary General Meeting to
be held at the same place at
Noon shall terminate, for the
purpose of considering and if
thought fit passing the follow-
ing Special Resolutions, viz:—

"(1) That the Authorized
Capital of the Company (which
is now \$8,000,000.00 consisting
of 160,000 shares of each of
nominal value of \$50.00 each,
which 90,000 shares have been
issued), be increased to \$50,
000,000.00 by the creation of
840,000 additional shares of the
nominal value of \$50.00 each,
and that such shares be issued
at such a time or times and
upon such terms as the Com-
pany's Board of Directors in
their absolute discretion shall
think fit.

"(2) That Article 19 of the
Company's Articles of Association
be cancelled, and the follow-
ing substituted therefor:—

"19.

Notwithstanding any of the
provisions these Articles of
Association no Shareholder shall
without the sanction of the
Directors be entitled at any time
to be registered as the holder of
more than one-tenth of the
Capital of the Company issued
for the time being. Provided
nevertheless that the registra-
tion of a transfer of shares
whereby the holding of any
Shareholder is increased beyond
the said amount shall be con-
clusive evidence that the sanc-
tion of the Directors to such in-
creased holding has been given,
but shall not be evidence that
the Directors have sanctioned
any further increase by such
Shareholder in his holding."

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN

that if the above resolution No.
(1) is duly passed as a Special
Resolution, it is the intention of
the Board of Directors in accor-
dance with the terms of the
Special Resolutions passed on
the 7th day of March, 1935, to
offer as soon as possible after
the 7th day of August, 1947,
70,000 new shares of the nomi-
nal value of \$50.00 each, being
the present unissued Capital of
the Company, together with an
additional 20,000 new shares of
the nominal value of \$50.00 each
in accordance with the terms of
the above Resolution, making a
total of 90,000 new shares of
the nominal value of \$50.00
each, to the persons who on the
7th day of August, 1947, are
registered in the Company's
Share Register as the holders of
the 90,000 issued shares in the
Capital of the Company, in the
proportion of one new share
for each share held by them
respectively, at a
premium of \$50.00 per share,
and to propose the following
further Special Resolution:—

"(3) That the aforesaid 90,000
new shares shall be issued
subject to the following condi-
tions:—

"(a) The amount due for
such new shares shall be pay-
able as follows:—

"(b) On the 30th June, 1948

(Continued at foot of next Col.)

HARBOUR DEPARTMENT

It is hereby notified that sealed
tenders in duplicate which
should be clearly marked
"Tender for Charges — Trans-
porting Coal", will be received
at the Office of the Chairman,
Tender Board, Public Works
Department, until noon on
Friday, 8th August, 1947, for
the delivery of Coal required by
the Government Slipway, Yau-
mat in lots of 200 tons in one
delivery. Deliveries will be as
requested during the period 1st
September to 31st December,
1947.

Details of the charges should
be submitted under the follow-
ing headings:— (a) loading,
(b) transport and (c) unloading.
This sub-division to be clearly
shown in the tenders.

Tenderers must attach to each
tender a deposit receipt showing
that they have deposited at the
Treasurer, Prince's Building, the
sum of \$500.00 as a pledge of
the bona fides of their tenders
which sum shall be forfeited to
the Hong Kong Government if
the successful tenderer fails or
refuses to carry out his tender.
The deposits will be returned to
unsuccessful tenderers.

The Government does not bind
itself to accept the lowest or any
tender, and reserves the right
to accept all or any part of any
tender.

Should the existing procedure
for the control of fuel be dis-
continued during the period for
which the tender is accepted,
Government reserves the right
to cancel such tender on one
month's notice being given to
the successful tenderer.

J. JOLLY,
Harbour Master.

Dated: 1st August, 1947.

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—the balance of \$50.00 per
share, being the remaining half
of the nominal value plus the
remaining half of the premium.

(c) Payment of the sum of
\$50.00 per share on acceptance
of the offer shall be deemed to
be the first call on such shares,
and the balance of \$50.00 per
share shall be deemed to be the
balance payable within the
meaning of Articles 34 to 43 of
the Company's Articles of Asso-
ciation.

(ii) Subject to payments
being made on the due dates,
such new shares shall rank as
partly paid shares from 1st
January, 1948, and as fully paid
shares from 1st July, 1948,
participating in dividend for
the period 1st January, 1948,
to 31st June 1948,
to the extent of one quarter, and
for the period 1st July, 1948, to
31st December, 1948, to the ex-
tent of one half the amount de-
clared for existing shares in
respect of the year 1948, and
thereafter ranking for dividend
and in all other respects pari
passu with the existing shares
of the Company.

(iii) That where the share-
holder so desires, the full sum
of \$100.00 per share may be
paid up on acceptance of the
offer, and in such event, any
shares on which the full sum
shall have been paid up shall
rank for dividend and in all
other respects pari passu with
the existing shares of the Com-
pany as from 1st January, 1948.

The offer will be made by
Notice sent by post to each
shareholder, specifying the
number of shares to which the
shareholder is entitled, and such
offer, if not accepted either on
behalf of such shareholder or
his nominee on or before 31st
December, 1947, will be deemed
to be declined.

Any of the shares which shall
not be taken up by the Com-
pany's Shareholders in manner
aforesaid shall be disposed of in
such manner and at such time
or times and upon such terms
as the Company's Directors shall
in their absolute discretion see
fit.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

OF DIRECTORS.

CHAS. E. TERRY,

Manager and Secretary.

Hong Kong, 10th July, 1947.

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

NOTICE

NORTHCOTE TRAINING COLLEGE

Applicants for admission to
the above Teachers' Training
College, are hereby notified that
the ENTRANCE EXAMINA-
TION will be held at the College
on 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st August,
commencing at 9 a.m. daily.

There will be 50 vacancies on
the Vernacular side; and 25 on
the English side. Students
entering on the English side will
be required to have reached a
standard comparable to Matricu-
lation.

Tuition is free, and a subsis-
tence allowance is paid.

The date of returning com-
pleted application-forms, obtain-
able from the undersigned, is
now extended to Saturday, 9th
August, 1947.

W. J. DYER,
Principal,
Northcote Training College,
Bonham Road, Hong Kong.

Dated: 28th July, 1947.

URBAN COUNCIL NOTIFICATION

QUARRY BAY MARKET

It is hereby notified that the
Quarry Bay Market has been
rehabilitated and that the stalls
will be re-allotted to pre-war
lessees if claimed on or before
14th August, 1947.

Pre-war lessees must appear
in person and produce all pre-
vious documents in connection
with the lease of their stalls to
the URBAN COUNCIL OFFICE,
Post Office Building,
Top Floor, Hong Kong, not later
than 14th August, 1947, other-
wise the unclaimed stalls will be
let to new tenderers.

R. W. H. MAYNARD,
Secretary, Urban Council.

Dated: 30th July, 1947.

GOVERNMENT NOTICE

Will all Ladies and Gentle-
men resident in Hong Kong
(except serving Members of His
Majesty's Forces) who have
had any decoration conferred on
them please notify the Chief
Clerk, Colonial Secretariat, not
later than Tuesday, 12th Aug.
1947, stating the year in which
the decoration was conferred.

COLONIAL SECRETARY.

Lower Albert Road,
Hongkong, 30th July, 1947.

DEPARTMENT OF IMPORTS & EXPORTS

NOTICE

This Department will be closed
on Monday, the 4th of August,
1947 for all purposes except
for entry and clearance of ships'
manifests between 9.00 a.m. and
10.00 a.m.

E. HIMSWORTH,
Superintendent,
Imports & Exports.

Dated: 28th July, 1947.

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ARMY REDUCTION BY SPEEDING UP DEMOB

London, July 30.
The Secretary for War, Mr. F. J. Bellenger, to-
night denied in the House of Commons
rumours that Field Marshal Lord Montgo-
mery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, was
flying home to Britain from New Zealand to
make drastic cuts in Britain's armed forces to
provide more men for the undermanned in-
dustries.

"Field Marshal Montgomery is coming home on
his own initiative," he said. He understood
that he would arrive in Britain on August 8.
Mr. Bellenger also announced that the three
armed forces Departments and other Ministers
were now under consideration, the Secretary for
War continued.

He declared that there was no
easy solution to the problem of
recruiting for the Regular
Army, but he was not despon-
dent. He forecast a time "not
far distant" when there would
be a waiting list of men await-
ing commissions in the Army.

—Reuter.

Something like 100,000 ser-
vicemen would be enlisted next
year and about 250,000 officers
and men released during that
period.

Mr. Anthony Eden, of the
Conservative Opposition had
emphasised that if the strength
of the Regular Army was
allowed to fall behind, there
would be a shortage of men to
train the conscript army.

His complaint that one of the
drawbacks was the insufficient
pay for warrant officers and
non-commissioned officers was
acknowledged by Mr. Bellenger,
who described the recruiting
position as "serious," but said
that even if the pay was in-

SIAMESE TWINS

London, July 31.
Siamese twins were born to
a London mother on Tuesday
and reported to be "only just
alive" by a hospital official
on Wednesday.

The hospital declined to
provide any further informa-
tion on the unusual birth.—
Associated Press.

creased by 50 per cent, the Re-
gular Army was still competing
with industry, and men were
looking for civilian life, not the
army.

After announcing the increased
rate of release, Mr. Bellenger
said that the Regular Army,
for which there would have to
be increased recruiting, would
be relied upon for overseas ser-
vice at all stations except Europe
and perhaps places like Gibrat-
tar, Malta, Trieste and Cyprus.

Conscripts

It might be a good thing to
send conscripts to those parts of
the Commonwealth, he suggest-
ed.

The figure of 250,000 had
been mentioned as the Govern-
ment's target for the Regulars,
he continued, but he expected
that it would probably be about
20,000 or 30,000 less than that
when finally set.

It would take probably 15
years to rebuild and reform
army barracks, so that improved
accommodation would hardly be
considered as a possible lure to
recruits.

Giving conscription and re-
cruiting figures for both the
Regular Army and National Ser-
vice, Mr. Bellenger announced
that more conscripts were
volunteering as regulars and
more regulars for re-engement.

Campaign

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Why Monty In Going Back Home

Auckland, N.Z., July 30.

Lord Montgomery, made it clear at a press
conference here today
that he was returning to
London direct because of
the latest developments in
the economic situa-
tion.

Britain's difficulties were con-
fined on manpower, he said.
"It is the duty of the services
not to take one more man from
industry than is absolutely
necessary," he said.

"My duty now is to be at the
right hand of the Secretary of
State for War."

When an attempt was made
to draw him out on whether the
Services could be further cut,
Lord Montgomery pointed to
Britain's commitments and re-
peated his remarks that the Ser-
vices should not take one more
man than was absolutely neces-
sary from industry.—Reuter.

LIZZIE'S RECORD

New York, July 31.
The Cunard-White Star an-
nounced on Wednesday that
the "Queen Elizabeth" had
broken her westbound speed
record, travelling from Bishop's
Rock to Ambrose Light, off
New York, in 4 days 5 hours
21 minutes. The old record
was 4 days 8 hours 15
minutes.—Associated Press.

Presumably this is the
"Queen Elizabeth's" personal
record. The fastest passage
recorded for the Bishop's
Rock/Ambrose Light run is
the "Queen Mary's" 3 days
21 hours 45 minutes, set in
1938. In the reverse direction,
the "Queen Mary" bettered
this in the same year with a
run of 3 days 20 hours 42
minutes.

SOLO ROUND THE WORLD

Chicago, July 30.
Five stops are contem-
plated on the solo round-
the-world flight of the
Reynolds "Bombshell" piloted by Captain Bill
Odom.

The spokesman said the plane
will take off at 1 p.m. on Sun-
day from Chicago on the first
hop to Paris, a distance of 3,900
miles non-stop.

The planned itinerary is
Chicago to Paris; Paris to
Karachi 3,700 miles; Karachi
to Shanghai, 3,700 miles; Shang-
hai to Tokyo, 1,800 miles; Tokyo
to Fairbanks, Alaska, 4,000
miles; Fairbanks to Chicago,
3,000 miles.

The same plane was piloted
by Captain Odom in the record-
breaking globe girdling flight.
Captain Odom hopes to cut in
half the solo time of 180 hours
set in 1933 by the late Wiley
Post.

The flight will be a warm-up
in preparation for the trip
around both Poles which Odom
plans to make in October in a
B-32 bomber.—United Press.

Atomic Bombing Force

Tokyo, July 30.

Crews of eight B-29s of
America's atomic bombing force—
the Eighth Air Force—were brief-
ed today for the 7,000-mile one-
stop flight to Washington where
they are due to arrive on August 1.

The potentialities of long-range
shuttle bombing in a future war
will be demonstrated vividly by
this mass flight, which is describ-
ed as the fastest and longest yet
undertaken by a whole squadron
of bombers.

The flight draws the world's
attention to the increasing im-
portance placed by the United
States Strategic Air Forces on
North Pacific flying via Alaska as
opposed to the much longer island
hopping route across the Central
Pacific.—United Press.

Speaking for the United
States, Mr. Hayden Royne,
said:

"I am puzzled by the Soviet
remarks. On the military side,
Portugal did not aid the Axis
in any way. On the contrary,
she extended outstanding aid
to the Allied forces by giving
the use of the Azores. On the
economic side, Portugal's rela-
tions with the enemy countries
were those of a neutral coun-
try."—Reuter.



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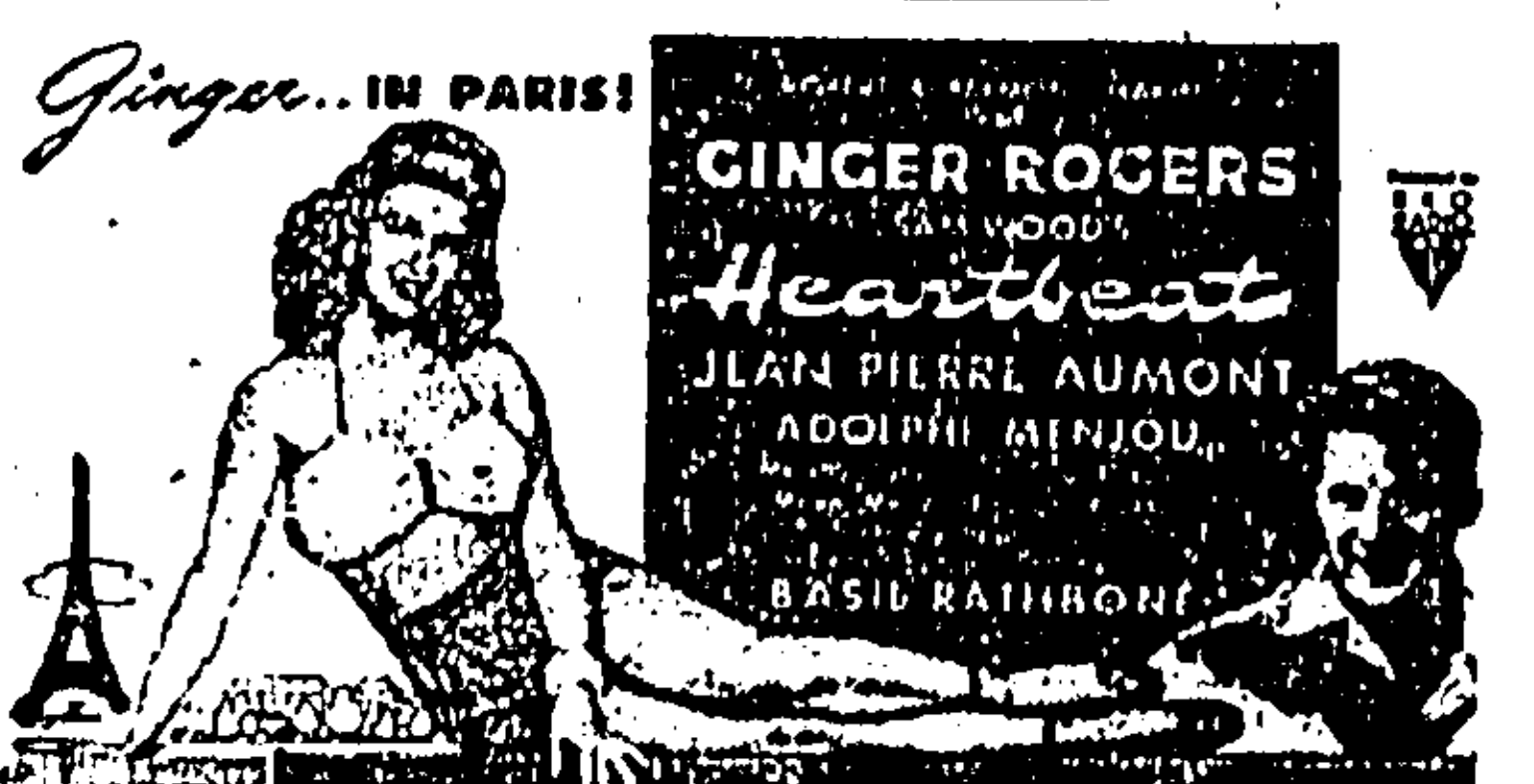
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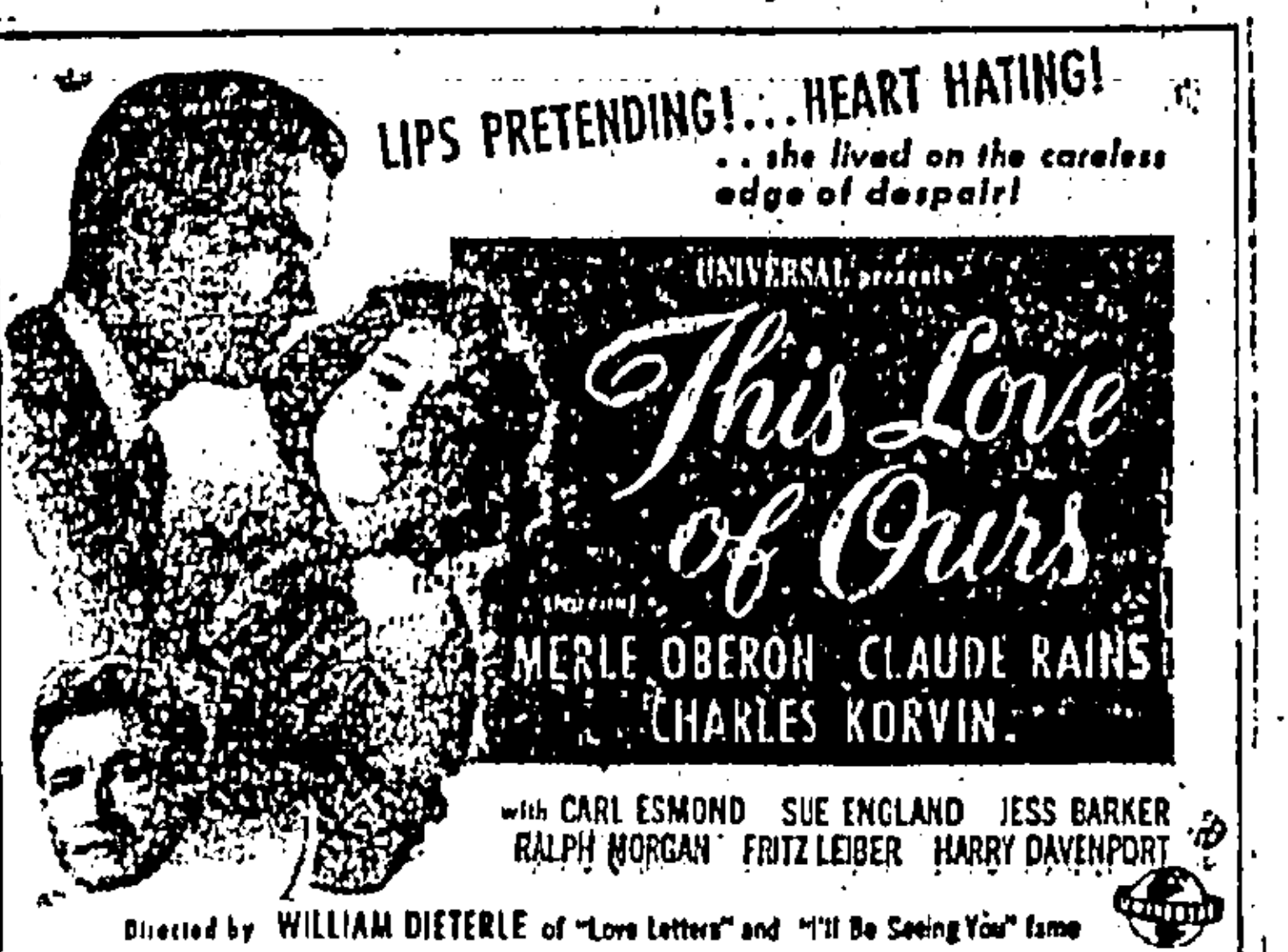
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JAP HATED CANNIBALS Beat Those Who Ate Other's Flesh Only Carried Out His Duty

"I had a strong hatred for those who were content to kill others and then eat their flesh," declared Sgt. Major Ishiyama Kakue who said, in the course of his examination-in-chief before No. 7 War Crimes Court yesterday, that he beat people who were given to cannibalism.

Ishiyama also asserted that his sense of justice prompted him, at times, to beat certain Chinese suspects.

Ishiyama, together with Captain Ushiyama Yukio, Sgt. Major Morino Sakuzo and Sgt. Major Matsuyama Hiroshi, is on trial for being concerned in the ill-treatment of persons in custody at the Western District Gendarmerie Headquarters (Central Police Station), between Dec. 30, 1941, and Feb. 17, 1945.

When questioned regarding his attitude towards suspects during interrogations, Ishiyama said that his approach depended upon the nature of the crime with which the suspect was being interrogated. He adopted a very thorough method in dealing with suspects in murder cases and cases of a nature prejudicial to public peace and order. In other cases, he adopted a cordial attitude towards suspects.

"Strong Hatred"
Ishiyama said that he had a strong hatred for those who were content to kill others and then eat their flesh. He also hated those who committed murder for the sake of robbing the victim of his property. Ishiyama said he beat suspects who were arrested in connection with cases of this type.

His Intention
Ishiyama claimed that he carried out his duty at all times and that it was his one and only intention to assist innocent and helpless citizens.

Cross-examined, Ishiyama admitted having interrogated Mrs. Kaneko Bush at the O.S.K. Building on two or three occasions. As a result of information obtained during these interrogations, they were able to obtain a lead which led to the arrest of a Japanese Army deserter who was responsible for certain anti-war pamphlets.

Ishiyama considered himself to be a man of fair judgment and that his sense of justice prompted him, at times, to beat certain Chinese suspects. He agreed that it was the custom for the Gendarmes to carry out interrogations in private and out of view of the public. It was, therefore, not possible for any unauthorized person to see what was taking place in the interrogation rooms.

Questioned regarding a signed statement which he had made on Oct. 8, 1946, Ishiyama denied the veracity of certain remarks appearing in this statement. He claimed that he had signed such statement because, as a prisoner, he had no option but to do as he was instructed.

Never Heard Of Torture
Major Lai asked Ishiyama whether suspects in the hands of the Gendarmes had any option before being made to sign on the dotted line? Ishiyama replied that in the case of Chinese suspects, they were able to read their statements.

Among the passengers on board the ss. "Sargento" which is passing through on route to England is Mr. C.J. Merritt, an old Shanghai resident, who is going home partly on a vacation and partly for medical treatment. When he first arrived in Shanghai in 1922, he joined Andersen, Meyer and Co., Ltd. He was for many years Superintendent and later Personal Assistant in the Special Police and was awarded the Long Service Medal, 1924-1942.

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PALESTINE CASUALTIES

London, July 30.
Fifty-five British civilians and policemen in have been killed by Jewish terrorists since August 1945, 18 of them since the beginning of this year, the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, announced in a Parliamentary reply today.
Giving figures up to July 28, Mr. Creech Jones said the casualties included 40 police killed and 69 police wounded; 15 civilians killed and 10 wounded.
Casualties since January 1 included 17 policemen killed and 40 wounded; one civilian killed and one wounded.—*Reuter.*

before being asked to sign.

Ishiyama declared that he did not know what the water torture was and that the first time he had ever heard of such torture was in the War Crimes Court-room.

After outlining the duties of the Special Branch, Sgt. Major Morino Sakuzo (the third accused) said that he knew Lieut. Shrigley, who was arrested and detained at the Western Gendarmerie Headquarters about the end of June 1944. Lieut. Shrigley was arrested because it was suspected that he knew where arms, maps and Regimental Colours were hidden and also because there was a suspicion that he was engaged in intelligence work.

Morino said that he received a report from Ushigai and Komino regarding the arrest of Lieut. Shrigley. On receipt of this report, he immediately communicated with W/O Sakamoto, after reprimanding Ushigai for effecting an arrest on his own accord.

Shrigley Case

Morino said that he first saw Lieut. Shrigley the second day after the latter's arrest. Morino said he was carrying out an inspection of the cells at the time and saw Ushigai interrogating Lieut. Shrigley, who was seated in a chair.

Lieut. Shrigley was never tortured.

Morino said that he never carried out any interrogation of Lieut. Shrigley, it being the responsibility of Ushigai to carry out these interrogations.

Morino said that there was no truth in the allegation of Lieut. Shrigley that he gave Lieut. Shrigley the water torture for two hours. Morino also denied having interrogated Lieut. Shrigley on two separate Sundays as alleged by Lai.

Given Cakes

Morino said that Ushiyama had given instructions to the effect that beating and kicking a suspect during interrogations was a most inefficient method. Ushiyama said that investigators should place themselves in the place of the person being interrogated and look at matters from the latter's viewpoint.

Morino declared that Ushiyama gave orders for suspects to be treated kindly and gently during interrogations.

Ushiyama believed that by adopting such a policy and by giving suspects cigarettes and cakes during interrogations, confessions would readily be obtained.

Morino denied that he issued orders for Lieut. Shrigley to be tortured.

Lieut. Shrigley eventually committed suicide because, having previously been subject to torture while detained at the Shamshulpo Gendarmerie, he was under the mistaken impression that he would also be subjected to the same tortures at the Western Gendarmerie Headquarters.

Hearing was then adjourned till 10 a.m. today.

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Universal Executive In H.K.

The arrival here of Mr. Alfred E. Daff, vice-president of Universal-International Films, Inc., will mark the first executive of the film industry from either Europe or America to have come to Hongkong since liberation. He is popularly known as forever globetrotting Al Daff in America and Europe.

He has already made six trips around the world for Universal-International and was scheduled to come to Hongkong a year ago, but upon his arrival at Sydney, he was attacked by sudden illness and had to fly back to New York immediately for an operation.

Mr. Daff was here many times before the war and has made many friends especially among the circle of the picture houses, such as Sir Shou-son Chow, Chairman of the King's Theatre, Mr. Charles Rossetti, Mr. Liang Chi-hao, Mr. K. L. Chang, Mr. George Y. K. Sun, Mr. Wu Shun Tak, Mr. Terry Lang, Mr. Harold Lee, Mr. F. C. Kou, Mr. P. N. Shiu, Mr. Liang Chi-siu and many others.

Mr. Daff is arriving tomorrow direct from New York and Hollywood and will stay in the Colony for a few days to renew old friendships and to make new acquaintances. He will then proceed to Singapore, India, Europe and back to New York. With him he brings the following of the latest U-I productions:

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"Temptation," produced by Edward Small, directed by Irving Pichel, and starring Merle Oberon, George Brent, Charles Korvin and Paul Lukas.

"I'll Be Yours," produced by Felix Jackson, directed by William Selter, and starring Deanna Durbin, Tom Drake and William Bendix, with Adolphe Menjou.

"Son Of Scheherazade" in Technicolor, produced by Edward Kaufman, written and directed by Walter Reisch, and starring Yvonne De Carlo, Brian Donlevy and Jean Pierre Aumont, with Eve Arden and Philip Reed.

"Pirates of Monterey" in Technicolor, produced by Paul Malvern, directed by Alfred Werker and starring Maria Montez and Rod Cameron, with Mikhal Basumny, Philip Reed and Gilbert Roland.

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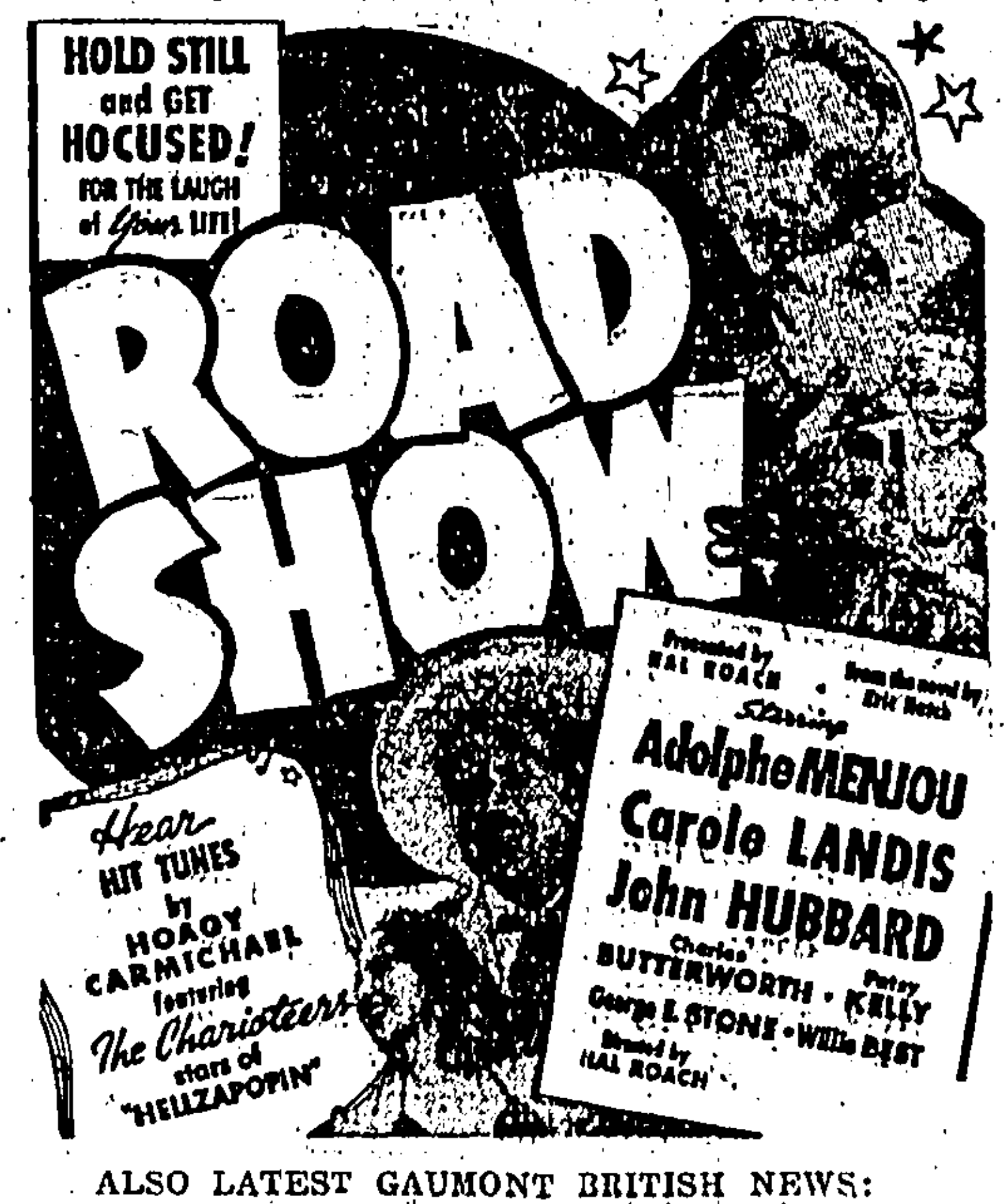
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REVOLTING CRIME

Remote as it seems, there is still a chance that the Irgun Zvai Leumi thought better than to carry out the threat of the murder-reprisal of the two British military hostages kidnapped following the death sentences on Irgun terrorists, and that the announcement of their "execution" represents nothing more than an ill-timed bluff. The first reports, credited to official sources, that the bodies of the victims had been found, have since been proved inaccurate, and hope must remain alive, until the worst is established, that the Jewish fanatics of the Irgun have not been guilty of the supreme folly of such a revolting crime against humanity. Nothing among the numerous violences of the Irgun in their bitter feud against the Palestine forces, not even the David Hotel outrage of a year ago, could be calculated to do more lasting injury to the cause they profess to uphold than the cold-blooded murder of two innocent men, sent to Palestine by a government which, for all its errors, has done more for the Jewish people than any other country in the world. The cynical communique, referring to Sergeants Martin and Paice as British spies, members of a terrorist organisation, the British Army, merely adds to the affront to decent men wherever they may be found. In the bitter irony of the Irgun message, plus the absence of the tragic direct evidence of the murders, lies perhaps the strongest hope (slight as it is) that the Irgun's sense of the dramatic has exceeded its capacity for savagery. If, however, the facts finally reveal that this dread piece of work has actually been carried out, it is quite certain that the repercussions will be felt, and seriously, long distances from the borders of Palestine. The counter-action which the British authorities will be compelled to take in the Holy Land will, it is to be feared, be of small importance besides the revulsion of feeling against the Jews elsewhere, with possible effects deeply to be regretted, but hardly unnatural in the grim circumstances. It is no more logical that the Jews as a whole should be held responsible for the actions of a few fanatics than that Sergeants Martin and Paice should have died because they were most easily accessible to a kidnapping gang. It is therefore sincerely to be hoped that the bitterness of feeling aroused in the crime will not produce an equivalent irresponsibility among those rightly revolted by it. Anger is justified; but if there is to be retribution, let it be left to the map on the spot.

A FRESH VIEW

Sir Alexander Grantham's declaration that he comes to Hong Kong with no new brief and no new mandate strikes a note with which most of us will be in full accord. The problems ahead are big enough and complex enough to tax all our energies and resources without adding further complications at this stage. It is, however, interesting and encouraging to find that His Excellency freshly arrived should be so swiftly struck with the excessively high cost of living, and promise study of the problem with a view to Government action where official action is practicable. We who have been with burdensome prices for so long have been inclined to take them as part and parcel of the many unpleasantnesses left as an aftermath of war, and have accustomed ourselves to the idea. As a fact, of course, gross profiteering is almost as rampant today as in the early days after the liberation, and if His Excellency finds a means of curbing this tendency, he will swiftly earn the community's heartfelt thanks.

BRITAIN'S GOODWILL TOWARDS INDIA

By Wickham Steed

London, July 29.

Since Royal Assent gave the force of law to the Indian Independence Bill I have sought to gauge opinion in Britain upon this great enactment. The Parliamentary debates on it were remarkable for the unanimity of goodwill towards India which they revealed. Outside Parliament I have found the same goodwill coupled with feelings of relief and of anxiety.

These feelings remind me of those which accompanied in 1922 the Parliamentary ratification of the Anglo-Irish treaty of 1921. Mr. Winston Churchill, who piloted that treaty through the House of Commons, firmly believed it would work for the ultimate good of both countries. Events have not proved him altogether wrong. Now, as regards the profound transformation in the relationship between Britain and India, I find that hope is the dominant mood of Britain's people.

This hope is sustained by the swift smoothness with which agreements are being made in India for the transfer of power on August 15. Thanks to a spirit of helpfulness on the part of Hindu and Muslim leaders alike, no major hitch has occurred. The Government of India has been divided into two groups chosen to consider separately matters concerning the union of India and Pakistan, and to deal jointly with matters that concern them both under the Chairmanship of the Governor-General.

The decision of the area of Sylhet, and of the North-West Frontier Province, to join Pakistan, have been taken without the complications which nervous observers apprehended. Confidence is therefore felt that the delicate work of the Punjab Boundary Commission may also

be accomplished if not to the satisfaction at least without the acute dissatisfaction of Muslims and Sikhs. In any event the suggestions put forward in some Indian quarters that British interest in this matter is inspired by other motives than those of conscientious impartiality are totally devoid of foundation.

At the same time deep regret is felt at the worsening of the food situation which is feared may become actually as grave as it was in Bengal four years ago. The partial failure of the wheat crop in many parts of India might have been offset by a good monsoon and an abundant rice harvest. Now the monsoon is reported to be deficient. When most of the Provincial and State governments have had to reduce the grain ration of 173,000,000 people from 12 to 10 and then to eight ounces a day, severe undernourishment if not actual hunger is seen to be a grave reality.

In world markets the price of grain for food have risen to heights so fantastic as to make purchases of grain abroad a serious financial problem. A leading British journal concludes a survey of the outlook by saying that in the circumstances the fundamental needs of India can only be supplied from the United States and Canada. Yet all Canadian surplus of grain is destined for Britain where the bread ration is still strict; and British concern would be required for the diversion of any part of this surplus to India. Nevertheless, the journal argues, seeing that the wants of India are immediate while the difficult problem in Britain will hardly come before October, it might be well if Britain could reinforce her expression of goodwill to the new India by making a sacrifice.

England's Looming Crisis

England's exceedingly grave economic crisis which is causing Premier Clement Attlee's Labour Government much concern.

The great Conservative Party which was thrown out of power two years ago by the Socialists charges that labour has divided the country at a time when unity is paramount.

BY DEWITT MACKENZIE

Newspapers of all complexions have been lambasting the Cabinet. Even the Daily Mirror, long a staunch supporter of the Attlee Regime now declares the Premier has failed to cope with the pressing economic problems. The Mirror goes so far as to demand that he resign.

Goose Pimples Dept.

Birmingham, July 30. Bacteriological attacks bringing "horrible new afflictions," fields sprinkled with growth-limiting chemicals and people killed, maimed and injured by radio-active poisons, will be the fate of each and every nation going to war in the future, Britain's leading atomic scientist, Professor Lancelot Oliphant, warned today.

"All nations are afraid," he told a conference, "if they give away fundamental knowledge of nature, they may be giving away the knowledge of weapons for the future."

Destitution would be swept over countries by pilotless planes and guided missiles of the rocket type with a very long range. Specially bred disease germs will be sprinkled in the air and subtle chemicals will be dusted over fields in minute amounts, "inhibiting the ordinary processes of life in man."

Professor Oliphant deplored that "men are dying all over the world for lack of anti-bacteriological substances developed to combat the bacteriological weapons which nations are hoping to employ in a future war."

Whether this storm will clear up quickly remains to be seen. Mr. Attlee maintains that the country is suffering from a heavy war hangover for which his government is not responsible and which it has not been able to overcome yet.

The crux of the situation actually is the badly lagging of industrial production and that in turn is due to low coal production.

A solution to this depends in a large degree on persuading the coal miners to surrender their cherished five-day work week or work longer hours temporarily in the interests of the country. That's where the question of leadership comes in and why the British newspapers are suggesting that the Foreign Minister may succeed Mr. Attlee in the event of the latter's resignation.

Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Minister, was credited with being the nation's most powerful leader of the labour masses. Union members love him. He is one of Britain's most forceful personalities. He has good judgment and is a good executive. He is a brilliant speaker, capable of dealing either with an audience of workers or a conference of international statesmen.

Small wonder many of his Party should think of him as the right man to inspire the workers to undertake the production needed to put England on her feet.

Attlee is one of the sturdiest of Labourites and is sure to battle to retain the leadership unless he becomes satisfied that he has lost the support of his Party.

He has the reputation of being a sincere, loyal servant of the State and there is no doubt that he would resign if he found he has lost the confidence of his party.

Then he might recommend to the King that Bevin be named Premier. A vital part which the coal production is playing in the European economic crisis and the turbulent political situation was emphasized by two recent developments.

Partly, though by no means entirely, for this reason British opinion deplores the fresh outbreak of fighting in Indonesia and is sympathetic with the appeals of the Government of India to the British and United States Governments to do all in their power to bring about settlement of the dispute between the Indonesians and Dutch. Hitherto, India has been getting some 40,000 tons of rice a month from South-East Asia including Indonesia. If Indonesian fighting extended this source of supply might be interrupted; and in any event, the economic life of India and Indonesia is such that the material welfare of many millions in India must depend upon a return to peace and prosperity in the Indonesian islands. Though British administrators will soon cease to be responsible for the conduct of Indian affairs Britain's Government and people will not cease to be anxious about a situation that may imperil the food, even the lives of many millions of Indians.

Meanwhile, the people of Britain look upon the Independence Act as a supreme manifestation of good faith and goodwill, and trust that it may bear good fruit for India.

U.S. To Reply To Russia

Washington, July 30.

The Undersecretary of State, Mr. Lovett, today said the United States is preparing a note to the Soviet Union in reply to the Russian statement rejecting the American request for an 11-nation peace conference on Japan.

While Mr. Lovett declined to elaborate, other officials told the United Press that the American note probably would take the position that the Soviet reply to the invitation was not unconditional rejection but left the way open for further discussion.

Russia rejected the United States call for an 11-nation conference, contending that the Japanese peace should be settled in the Council of Foreign Ministers.

The United States in its reply is expected to explain that all eleven nations of the Far Eastern Commission should be given an opportunity to participate.

China is reported to have informed the United States, meanwhile, that it believes the veto power of the big nations should be retained in drawing the Japanese treaty but that it should take two nations to make a veto binding.—United Press.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Treasure these golden years, men—when you can admit the roof leaks, the furnace is no good, the mortgage is due, and still sell a house!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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THWART A LEAD-THROUGH

Often a No Trump declarer has an honour which is vulnerable to attack from one defender but impregnable against anything which can be done by the man on the other side of the table. In such a case it is usually incumbent on him to center every resource on making sure that the wrong enemy never gets the lead. Any finessing he does should be toward the man who cannot hurt him with a lead of the dangerous suit.

SKJ 10 5 4
HK Q 5
D 10
C J 5 4 3

SA 9
HA 10 4 3
DK Q 2
CA Q 10 2

SA 9
HA 10 4 3
DK Q 2
CA Q 10 2

(Dealer: South, East-West vulnerable.)

South West North East
3C Pass 1S Pass
3C Pass 3C Pass
SNT

This contract looked like such a cinch to South that he didn't even pause to count his tricks after West led the diamond 4. He won the J with the K, then promptly scored the spade A and finessed the 10. East won with the Q and as promptly returned the diamond 9, so that the rest of that suit defeated his contract.

A most cursory examination of the negative side of his situation should have shown South that he must not let East gain the lead, as a return through the diamond Q could capture that honour and leave him. Had he done this simple thinking, he could have counted up enough tricks even by losing finesses to West—three sure ones in clubs, one already secured in diamonds, three in hearts and two in spades.

Following the count, he should have gone to dummy with the heart K and finessed the club Q. West would not return a diamond, as that would present South a trick with the Q. If he returned a harmless club, South could take it in dummy, finesse the spade 9 without danger and thus take a total of 11 tricks. He could get that many anyway by finessing spades toward West, no matter what return West made.

Tomorrow's Problem

SKJ 3
HA 10 5 4
D Q
C Q J 10 7 4

SA 10 9
HA 10 4
DK Q 2
CA Q 10 2

(Dealer: East. Neither side vulnerable.)

What is South's correct playing plan for 4-Spades after the defence takes the diamond K, leads to the spade A and returns the spade 10?

CABLE RATES UP

Washington, July 31. Nine American wireless and telegraph companies have received permission to increase charges on cables to the Pacific area by 50 per cent. With the exception of those to Hawaii, cables from the United States to all countries in the Pacific will be increased from US\$0.20 to US\$0.30.—Central News.

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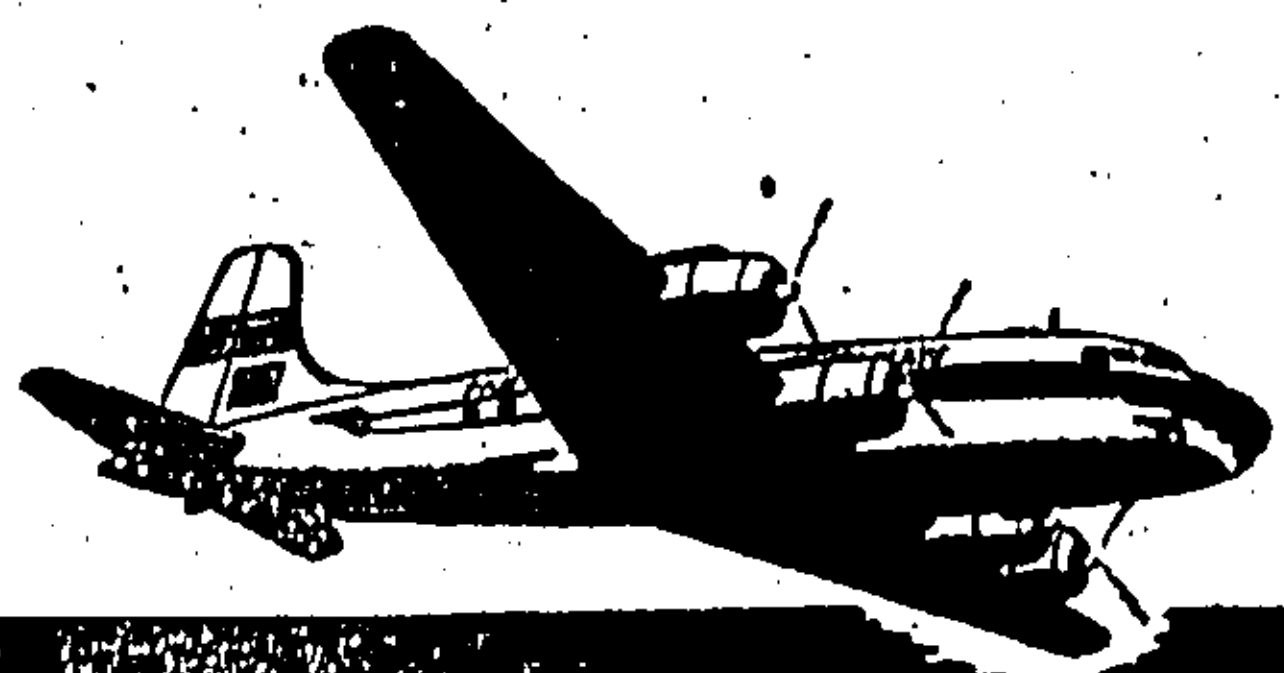
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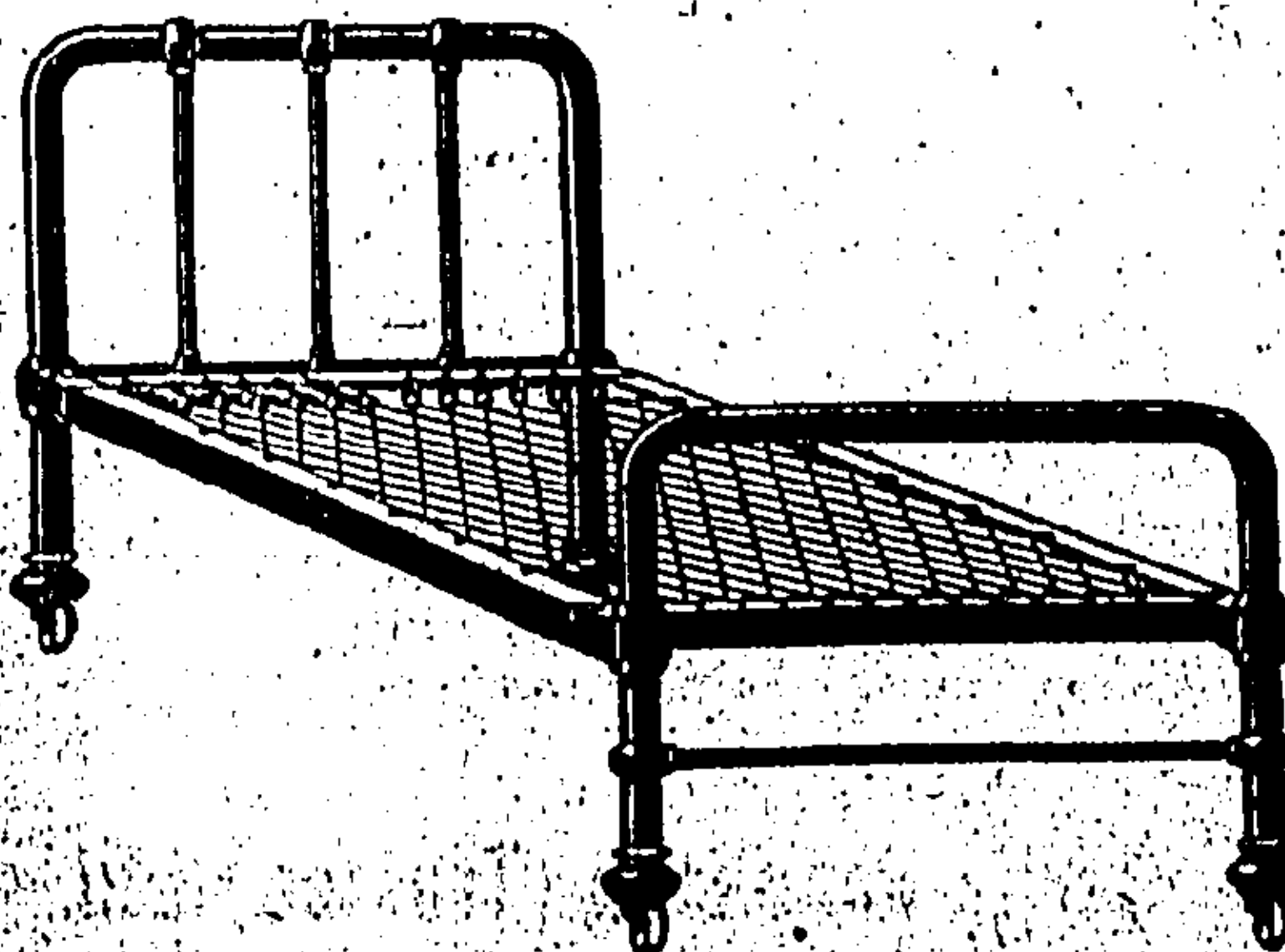
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NO TRACE OF TWO SERGEANTS Palestine Shocked By Irgun's Threats Of Hangings In Reprisal Macabre Mystery

Jerusalem, July 30.

The Army and the police, making a combined comb-out of the orange grove country around Nathanya today, failed to find any trace of Sergeant Clifford Martin and Sergeant Mervyn Paine, hostages held by the Jewish terrorists, whom Irgun Zvai Leumi claim to have executed.

The search lasted for four hours this afternoon, with a number of newspapermen taking part. Irgun—a Jewish terrorist organization—had earlier claimed that they had executed the two sergeants by hanging. The Army men were kidnapped eighteen days ago at Nathanya.

News that the Irgun had executed their hostages began to circulate around noon today, when Irgun messengers went through Tel Aviv dropping communiques at newspaper offices announcing that the two men had been executed after

by a "military court" of the Irgun Zvai Leumi. A short while afterwards anonymous telephone calls were made, giving information that the bodies could be found in a Government forest about two and a half miles south of the seaside town of Nathanya, centre of Palestine's diamond industry.

Trucksloads of Palestine police and Grenadier Guards drove out to the forest—which is not really a forest but merely a large patch of trees planted under Government auspices. None of the eucalyptus saplings in the woods seemed big enough to support a man's body.

Lining up two or three yards apart, policemen and troops combed straight through the woods in one direction, and then across it in another direction. They found nothing.

The Irgun claim that the men had been executed has, however, caused a great deal of consternation in Jewish circles. An officer of Palmach—Haganah's striking force—was noticeably shaken when he heard the report of the death of the two men.

Jews Shocked

The majority of Palestine's both fervid and lukewarm Zionists were equally shocked by the Irgun's vaunted reprisal.

The Jewish Agency and the Vaad Leumi—Jewish National Council—acting on the strength of the Irgun's boast, issued a joint statement denouncing the murder. Both organisations asked the parents of the two sergeants not to identify the "murderers" with the Jewish people.

Dayan Lazarus, acting Chief Rabbi in London, speaking on the Irgun's claim, told Reuters today:

"It is a most horrible act to have perpetrated, because it is contrary to all our religious principles and contrary to our very history that there should be such judgment without trial. It is too horrible for words. Palestine can never be rebuilt on bloodshed."

The Jewish Agency spokesman said: "If it is true we are absolutely horrified and condemn it outright."

Meanwhile, as this macabre mystery remains unsolved, another incident has been reported. Two other British soldiers were killed and two slightly wounded when a road mine blew up their military truck in Hadera, northern Palestine.—Reuters.

Funeral

In the presence of a large gathering of friends and relatives the late Edward John Annett was buried at the Protestant Cemetery yesterday.

The Rev. Percy Smith officiated at the Chapel and at the graveside.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Annett, G.R. Ross, V.E. Ferrier, J. Baud, R.H. Sutton, J.A. Furrer, G.A. Pentreath, J.P. Sherry, Mr. and Mrs. S. Maughan, J.P. Cassidy, G.W. Behrman, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ka Yu, W. Bubols, R. Chandler and many others.

Floral tributes were sent by Mr. and Mrs. Dunn Ruttonjee, Mrs. and Harry Letimer, Mr. and Mrs. G.A. Pentreath, A.D.S. Anderson, E.S.C. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Lansdowne, Giga, Vivian and Farrier, H.A. Keller, American President Lines, Ah Cheong, Ah Shui, Lau Pui, Ah Oi, Tam Yiu, Wilkinson & Grist, Mr. and Mrs. M. Pagh, Mr. and Mrs. R. Ross, Sheila, Hilda and Donny Lowe, Gerald A. Leiper, Henry and Ross Sidney, Mrs. George Behrman Jr. Richard and Albert, Residents of Helena May Institute, H. Dubois, Max Gaylin, Mr. and Mrs. W.A. Jones, A.E. Nobblins, Thelma, Freda, Amelia Sales, Hal and Ronnie Ross, L.B. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Nish and Henry Graye.

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ANGRY TOMMIES

Jerusalem, July 30.
Dispatched said that about 50 British soldiers engaged at reports of the hanging spread through the streets of Palestine tonight, firing into shop windows and wrecking furniture in some cafes.—United Press.

Heavy Fine On Lorry Driver

As the result of "a very bad accident" out at the 5-1/2 mile stone at about 4.25 p.m. on Wednesday, Pang On, licensed driver of lorry 5674, was fined a total of \$600 by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

Pang appeared before His Worship charged with dangerous driving and with carrying cattle on his lorry without an endorsement on his licence, pleaded guilty to both counts.

Prosecuting, S.I. R.F. Bell said that defendant's lorry was being driven from Tai Po to Kowloon, while lorry 5673 was on its way to Tai Po. On accident, lorry 5673 was eight cows; on the other lorry were two passengers next to the driver and six passengers at the back.

Rounding the first corner in the "S" bend near the reservoir, the driver of 5673 saw the defendant's vehicle coming along in the opposite direction at a very fast speed, on the wrong side of the bend, and cutting the corner right off.

To avoid an accident, lorry 5673 was stopped "very close to the grass verge" giving accused almost 14 feet to pass. The road, said S.I. Bell, is about 22 feet at this spot.

The defendant's truck came round the bend and the offside mudguard struck the offside mudguard of lorry 5673. Not only that, went on S.I. Bell, but the body of the oncoming lorry ripped the offside body of 5673 right off. All the six passengers were thrown on to the roadway but, luckily, none of them suffered any serious injuries.

Lorry 5674 had only an ordinary body and was not constructed to carry cattle. The Traffic Office would not endorse the licence for such cattle-carrying as even the sides were not strong enough for the work.

The damage done to lorry 5673 was estimated at between \$900 to \$1,000, concluded S.I. Bell.

Shroff "Forgot" To Pay In

Wong Kam, 30, who employed as a shroff by the Tung Woo Soy Factory of Tung Tau Village, Kowloon City, at a monthly salary of \$160 plus \$30 for expenses. Since he joined the firm in February this year his duties were to collect moneys due to his employers.

Between May 1 and June 30, he went to four shops in Wanchai and two in Mong Kok and collected a total of \$633 which he "forgot" to hand back to his manager, Mok Wan. No receipts were issued by him for these sums. He simply signed for them on the payee books.

When Mok Wan saw, ten days later, no mention of payments being made by these six shops he sent another shroff to find out why the accounts had not been settled. The shroff was told by each shop that the account had been paid. Being unable to believe his ears, Mok Wan went personally to his customers and found that the money had been paid to Wong Kam.

A report was made to the Kowloon City Police Station on Tuesday night and accused was questioned, said DSI H. T. Matches when he prosecuted Wong before Mr. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday on the charge of embezzlement. On Wednesday night, a man called at the Station and stated that he was prepared to stand surety for defendant and would find the money to refund to complainant. The man never came back again.

Defendant said DSI Matches, pleaded that he had a lot of expenses to meet and was not drawing enough pay. As he did not look like one of the criminal type, and as all Wong's employers were interested in was the restitution of the amount embezzled, DSI Matches was granted a remand of 48 hours to see whether Wong's friend would return to the Station with the money.

GOLD QUIETER

The money market had a quiet day yesterday with rates for all items fluctuating within narrow limits.

Gold opened at \$323.50 a tael and closed at the same rate. It fluctuated between \$321.50 and \$324.25.

Plasres opened at \$11.05 a 100 and after dropping two points rose to \$11.15.

Chinese National Currency was nominal at 11.1375 cts for futures and 13.425 cents for spot (for CN\$1,000).

U.S. dollars were unchanged at \$4.85 and so were Sterling at \$13.15 and Australian pounds at \$12.53.



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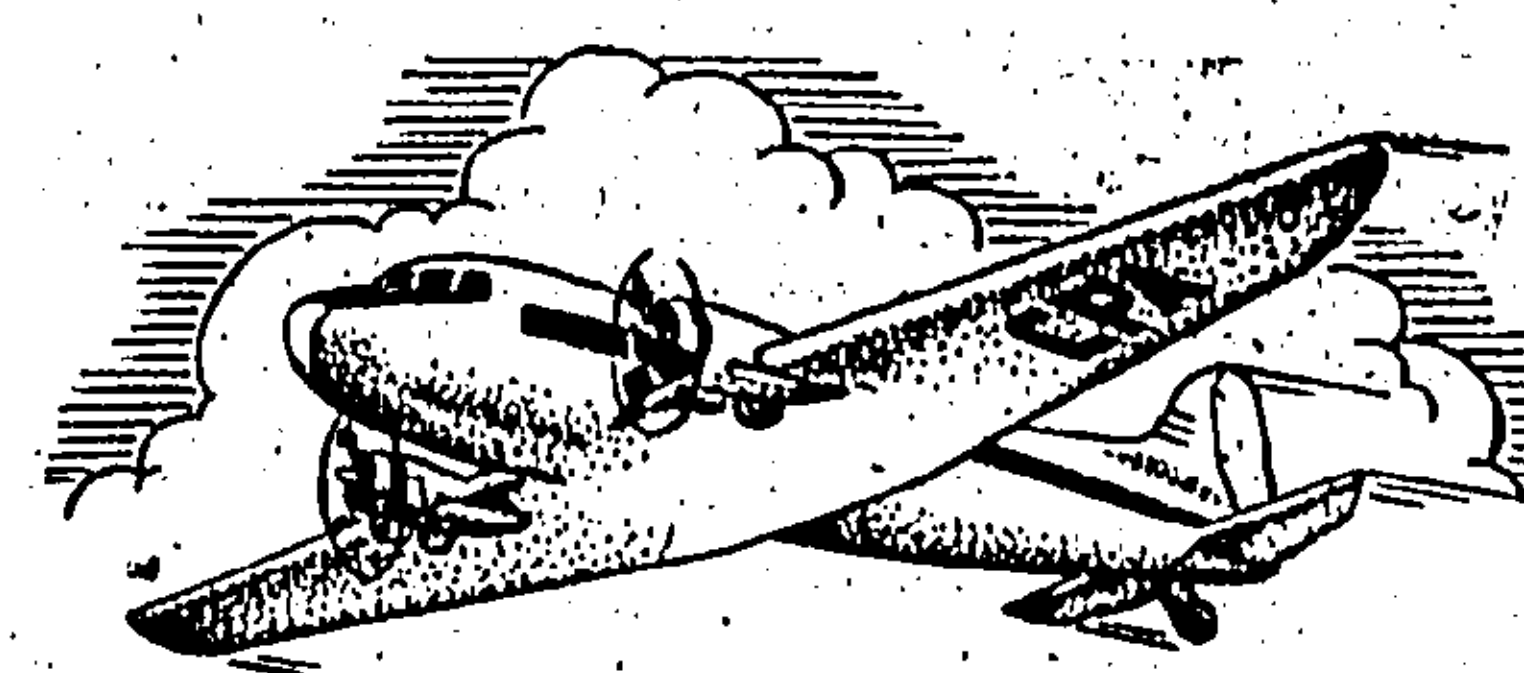
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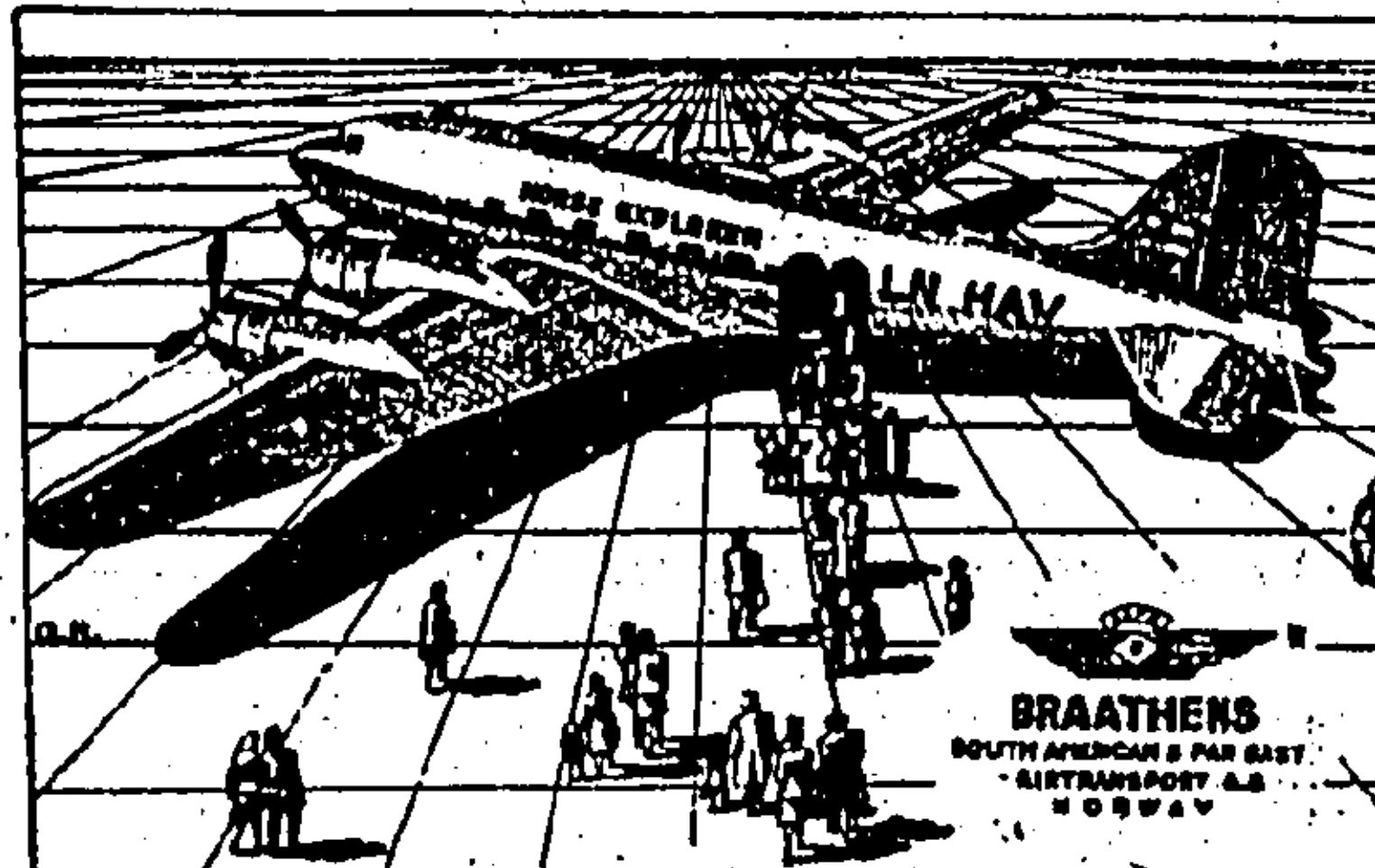
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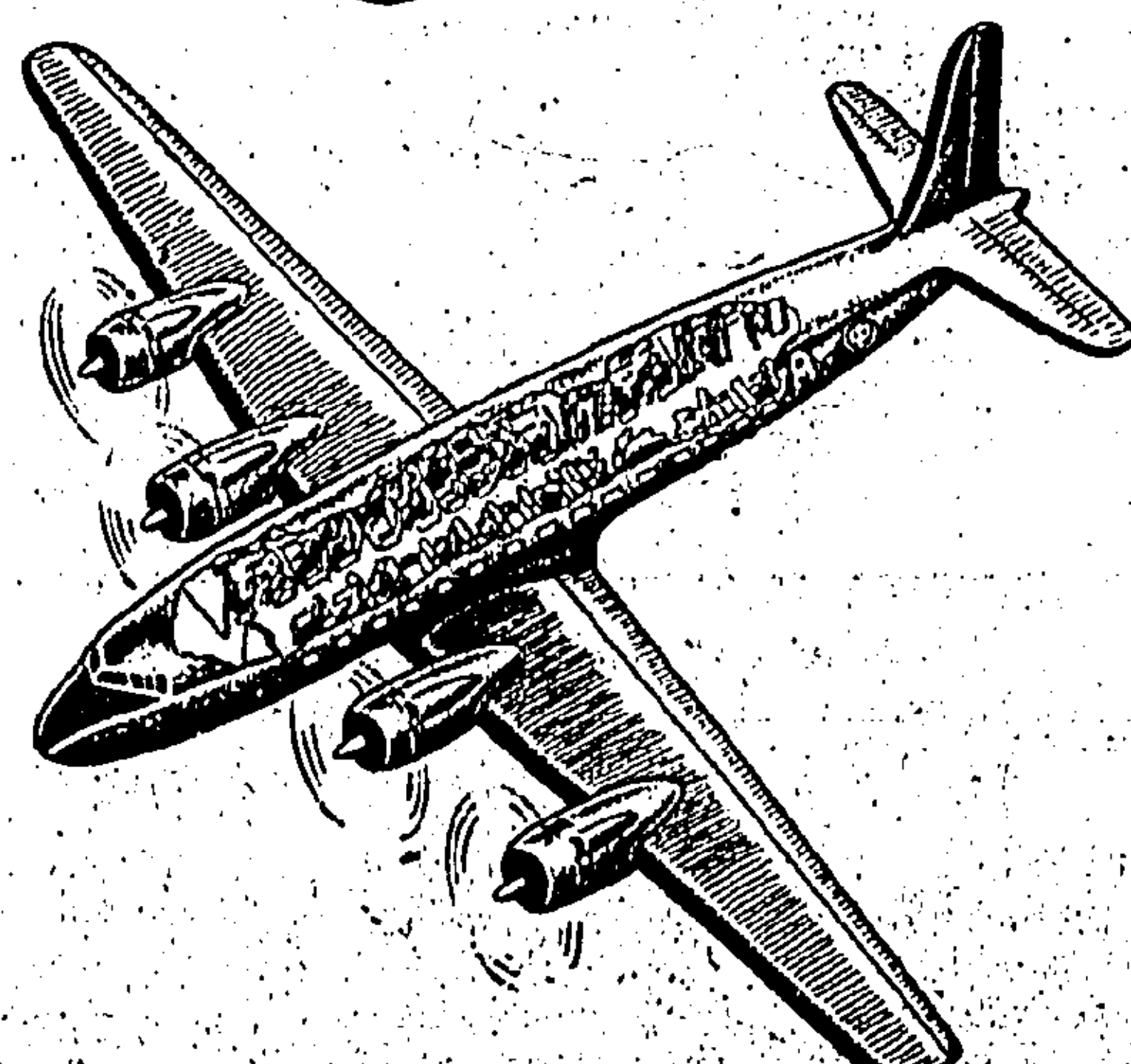
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BRITAIN EXPECTED TO TAP HER GOLD RESERVES

U.S. Loan Withdrawals

London, July 30. It is learned that Britain drew another US\$300,000,000 of the United States loan on July 25, making \$700,000,000 drawn during July and leaving only US\$1,000,000,000 still undrawn.

The exceptionally large amount of \$300,000,000 is being held for contingencies, including convertible releases from sterling balances, but officials admit that the remaining \$1,000,000,000, plus so much of Britain's own gold stock as could safely be spent may be exhausted before the end of the year.

Originally, the loan alone was intended to last until 1950. Britain's own adverse balance with the dollar area is about \$200,000,000 a month, but Sir Stafford Cripps, President of the Board of Trade, stated last week that sterling convertibility forces Britain to carry the main burden of the world's dollar shortage. Britain's gold stock is believed to be \$2,500,000,000 but not all this could be safely spent.—Reuter.

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Received to 20/7/47	2,332,381.80
Grand Total	\$2,495,581.80

NEW OUTBREAK IN INDIA

Calcutta, July 30. The machine-gun murder of seven Hindus set off new violence in Calcutta that sent the death toll soaring to 13. Hospitals reported 74 injured admitted within a few hours and casualties are still streaming in.

The gunmen attacked a bus loaded with Hindu white-collar workers returning home, spraying the vehicle with machine-gun slugs. Seven passengers were killed outright and five were seriously injured.—United Press.

London, July 30. Britain is expected to tap her gold reserves—the biggest in the world, outside the United States—to bridge the gap between the exhaustion of the American dollar loan (which is fast running out) and the beginning of the operation of the Marshall plan for economic aid to Europe.

This can stave off the approaching economic crisis for only a brief additional period, however, it was emphasised in London today.

It has been stated unofficially in many quarters that the tapping of the gold stock seems inevitable. There was an official intimation of it, "off the record," on July 15, when sterling became convertible.

New York press reports today that Britain will take this action were regarded in London as self-evident.

The tapping of the gold reserve is not regarded in London as a solution of the problem, but merely as a little extra breathing space in which to find the only real solution—retrenchment of Britain's overall spending.

Britain appears to have augmented her hidden reserve of gold and hard currency as some offset to excessive drawings on the American loan.

In official quarters in London today, however, it was doubtful whether during 1947 this had even replaced the US\$200,000,000 of gold which Britain transferred to the International Monetary Fund last February.

Consequently, by the time the dollar loan is exhausted, this British reserve may be no bigger than the last published figures. These showed a reserve of US\$2,500,000,000 by the end of 1946, of which more than three-quarters was believed to be in gold.—Reuter.

Nine months imprisonment to be followed by banishment was the sentence imposed on Chiu Sing-fu, alias Ah Kau, 20, by Mr. F.X. d'Almeida when he was charged with demanding money with menaces at Central yesterday.

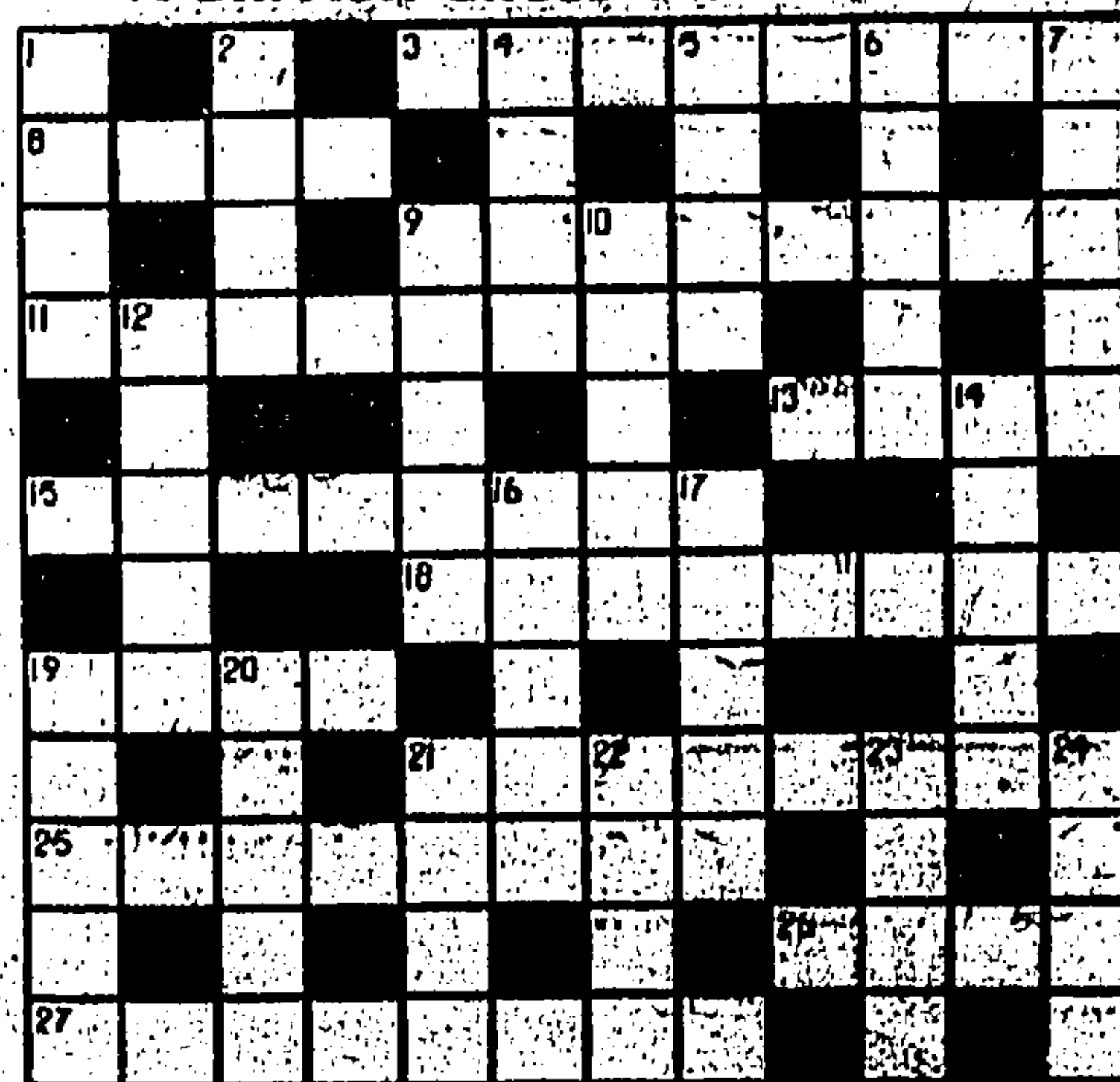
According to D/I Darlings, defendant collected the sum of 10 cents daily in May from Lui Chuen, Kwok Siu-wai, Leung Kai and Wong Chai.

Inspector Darlings alleged that defendant belonged to a well-organized gang. Hawkers had to make payments or have their stalls knocked over. In this case, the complainants came forward to make the reports.

Defendant said that he was collecting for one Chan Pui, who gave him \$2 for his daily meals. He did not know that it was against the law and since he had been warned by some hawkers he had stopped collecting. He asked for leniency.

Vice-Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, Commander-in-Chief of the British Pacific Fleet, has postponed his visit to the North China port of Tientsin to September 1 next, and is scheduled to leave Hong Kong towards the end of this month.

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Clues Across

- Obstructed.
- Express.
- darkening.
- Out into.
- two equal.
- parts.
- impinged.
- Face.
- place of.
- Supernatural.

Clues Down

- to enter.
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Yesterday's Crossword

- Across: 1. Coffee; 2. Tires; 3. Alderman; 4. Drake; 5. Hares; 6. Alderman; 7. Hares; 8. Alderman; 9. Hares; 10. Alderman; 11. Hares; 12. Alderman; 13. Hares; 14. Alderman; 15. Hares; 16. Alderman; 17. Hares; 18. Alderman; 19. Hares; 20. Alderman; 21. Hares; 22. Alderman; 23. Hares; 24. Alderman; 25. Hares; 26. Alderman; 27. Hares; 28. Alderman; 29. Hares; 30. Alderman; 31. Hares; 32. Alderman; 33. Hares; 34. Alderman; 35. Hares; 36. Alderman; 37. Hares; 38. Alderman; 39. Hares; 40. Alderman; 41. Hares; 42. Alderman; 43. Hares; 44. Alderman; 45. Hares; 46. Alderman; 47. Hares; 48. Alderman; 49. Hares; 50. Alderman; 51. Hares; 52. Alderman; 53. Hares; 54. Alderman; 55. Hares; 56. Alderman; 57. Hares; 58. Alderman; 59. Hares; 60. Alderman; 61. Hares; 62. Alderman; 63. Hares; 64. Alderman; 65. Hares; 66. Alderman; 67. Hares; 68. Alderman; 69. Hares; 70. Alderman; 71. Hares; 72. Alderman; 73. Hares; 74. Alderman; 75. Hares; 76. Alderman; 77. Hares; 78. Alderman; 79. Hares; 80. Alderman; 81. Hares; 82. Alderman; 83. Hares; 84. Alderman; 85. Hares; 86. Alderman; 87. Hares; 88. Alderman; 89. Hares; 90. Alderman; 91. Hares; 92. Alderman; 93. Hares; 94. Alderman; 95. Hares; 96. Alderman; 97. Hares; 98. Alderman; 99. Hares; 100. Alderman.

N.Y. Stock Market

New York, July 31. Stocks generally moved into losing territory, although a little short-covering and investment demand stemmed the retreat and scattered pivots edged into the plus column. Some bidding was credited to belief that Tuesday's collapse—the sharpest in three months—had propped the market's technical position.

Transfers totalled 1,170,000 shares. Losers included Norfolk & Western, Standard Oil, Phillips Petroleum, and others.

Among the gainers were United Aircraft, Chesapeake and Ohio, Dow Chemical, and others.

Adams Express 10%, Alaska Juneau 4%, American Can 9%, American Smelting 5%, American Telephone 10%, American Tobacco 10%, American Waterworks 10%, Aviaton Corp. 5%, Baldwin Locomotive 10%, Barnsdall 20%, Bendix Aviation 10%, Bethlehem Steel 10%, Boeing Aircraft 10%, Borden Co. 10%, Canadian Pacific 10%, Case 10%, Chrysler 10%, Colgate 10%, Commercial Solvents 10%, Corn Products 10%, Dupont 10%, Eastman Kodak 10%, Electric Light & Power 10%, General Electric 10%, General Motors 10%, Goodrich 10%, Goodyear 10%, Homestake Mining 10%, International Harvester 10%, International Paper 10%, International Tel. & Tel. 10%, Johns Manville 10%, Kennecott Copper 10%, Montgomery Ward 10%, National Distillers 10%, National Lead 10%, New York Central 10%, Packard Motors 10%, Pan American Airways 10%, Pennsylvania RR 10%, Radio Corp. 10%, Real Silk 10%, Republic Steel 10%, Reynolds Tobacco 10%, Schenley 10%, Sears Roebuck 10%, Shell Oil 10%, Socomey Vacuum 10%, Southern Pacific 10%, Standard Brands 10%, Standard Oil of Calif. 10%, Standard Oil of N.J. 10%, Studebaker 10%, Union Carbide 10%, United States Steel 10%, U.S. Rubber 10%, U.S. Steel 10%, U.S. Lins 10%, Westinghouse 10%, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 10%, Gen. Pub. Utilities 10%—Associated Press.

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Harbouring Case

Yeung Ming-ying, 40, Ho Yuk, 31, married woman, Mo Yin, 45, and Lau Leung, 22, were all charged before Mr. F.X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday with harbouring Ng Chun-tai, an unmarried girl aged 15.

The first defendant was alleged to have induced the girl to get married and together with the 2nd and third defendants, took the girls to 4th defendant, an employee of the Dairy Farm Co. at Pokfulam.

Fourth defendant was given to understand that "for \$50 he could have the girl as his 'girl'." He was believed everything was in order, handed over the money.

The girl's adopted mother reported to the police when she found that her daughter was missing.

After hearing the evidence, the Court ruled fourth defendant acted in good faith and accordingly discharged him.

The first defendant received six months hard labour, the second six months and the third two weeks.

Education In N.T.

There are at least 20,000 children in the New Territories requiring education, since the rural area has only 200 schools capable of accommodating 10,000 students.

This was disclosed by Mr. Wong Kwok-fong, headmaster of the Rural Training College at Sheung Shui, in a speech delivered at the weekly Y.M. Club yesterday.

Mr. Wong said the 1931 census showed the New Territories population at 100,000. This he added, "has increased to about 180,000 or 200,000."

CONVICTED AS A U.S. TRAITOR

Boston, July 30. Douglas Chandler today was convicted as a traitor and sentenced to life imprisonment with hard labour and also fined US\$10,000.

Chandler broadcast Nazi propaganda to the United States during the war.

The prosecution demanded the death sentence, declaring Chandler was a "blackhearted traitor who gave his heart and soul to Hitler" because he wanted Germany to win the war.

Addressing the court, Chandler said: "In my honest opinion it was my duty to my country to do what I did. I have been convicted because of my beliefs."

He said he intended to appeal.

H.K. Stock Exchange

There was an improved turnover and in many cases advances were recorded with sellers holding back.

Closing stock market quotations: Adams Express 10%, Alaska Juneau 4%, American Can 9%, American Smelting 5%, American Telephone 10%, American Tobacco 10%, American Waterworks 10%, Aviaton Corp. 5%, Baldwin Locomotive 10%, Barnsdall 20%, Bendix Aviation 10%, Bethlehem Steel 10%, Boeing Aircraft 10%, Borden Co. 10%, Canadian Pacific 10%, Case 10%, Chrysler 10%, Colgate 10%, Commercial Solvents 10%, Corn Products 10%, Dupont 10%, Eastman Kodak 10%, Electric Light & Power 10%, General Electric 10%, General Motors 10%, Goodrich 10%, Goodyear 10%, Homestake Mining 10%, International Harvester 10%, International Paper 10%, International Tel. & Tel. 10%, Johns Manville 10%, Kennecott Copper 10%, Montgomery Ward 10%, National Distillers 10%, National Lead 10%, New York Central 10%, Packard Motors 10%, Pan American Airways 10%, Pennsylvania RR 10%, Radio Corp. 10%, Real Silk 10%, Republic Steel 10%, Reynolds Tobacco 10%, Schenley 10%, Sears Roebuck 10%, Shell Oil 10%, Socomey Vacuum 10%, Southern Pacific 10%, Standard Brands 10%, Standard Oil of Calif. 10%, Standard Oil of N.J. 10%, Studebaker 10%, Union Carbide 10%, United States Steel 10%, U.S. Rubber 10%, U.S. Steel 10%, U.S. Lins 10%, Westinghouse 10%, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 10%, Gen. Pub. Utilities 10%—Associated Press.

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LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, July 30. The Stock-Exchange opened in a depressed market and stayed a mid-day rally, but eased off again as a selling wave was encountered in gilt-edged in final dealings.

Industrials closed around lowest of the day and oils lost their earlier "little alteration in prices" or the commodity section while European bonds were dull.

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DUTCH CAPTURE OF MALANG

"Wilderness City" Taken From Republic

Scorched Earth Policy

(By A. C. Brackman)

Malang, July 31. Malang, the fourth largest city of Java, became Holland's biggest prize since the beginning of the Indonesian campaign when Dutch marines and soldiers entered the city at 9.07 a.m. today.

I was the only American correspondent to accompany the Dutch troops into the city and I rode in with the first wave of combat troops.

Antea's correspondent said the city was a wilderness. Important buildings, factories, the convent and cinemas were blown up and burnt days ago. Shops were pillaged and the city is dead.

Except for Chinese, Europeans, Arabs and groups of Indonesians Malang's 100,000 population had left. Everywhere the city presented a picture of desolation. According to the population lost, it commenced a week ago and also the demolition of public buildings by members of the "Revolutionary Army" and KHS (Chinese People's Union). The local authorities were powerless. Several factories were still in flames last night. Indonesian papers were still in town yesterday but later retreated.—United Press.

Santoso Falls

Batavia, July 31. Dutch troops fanning out from their West Javanese base at Bandung have captured Santoso, 22 miles to the south, the Dutch claimed in a communiqué which admitted that the Indonesians were on the offensive in some areas.

Dutch claims in the past two days indicate that troops from Bandung were attacking in the following directions: south-east on the main road toward the south coast port of Tjilatjap; south-west and south toward the mountain crests dominating the region.

The south-western drive has reached Tjilatjap, 15 miles from Bandung, and the advance on Tjilatjap has passed the "twice-captured town of Tjilatjengka, according to the Dutch claims.

An Indonesian communiqué reported that Dutch warships shelled Tjilatjap for the second straight day yesterday evidently with the intention softening up the area for amphibious landings.

A Dutch communiqué, revealed in a charge that Japanese troops were aiding the Republicans.

The First And Only British Samurai

Tokyo, July 31. The landing of the first British sailor in Japan more than 300 years ago will be commemorated in the town of Ito, approximately 90 miles south of Tokyo, by the unveiling of a tablet during a festival to be held on August 15 and 16.

The sailor was William Adams, who first reached Japan in a small English ship in the year 1600.

It is said that he first visited Ito in 1600 and again in 1603 and there built two ocean-going ships—the first of their kind and size in this country.

Adams eventually became a Samurai, the only Englishman to attain that status.

Lieutenant General Robertson, Commander-in-Chief of the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces, will unveil the tablet at the forthcoming William Adams festival.—Reuter.

Nanking And Japan Trade

Nanking, July 31. In a special meeting today, members of the Kuomintang Central Political Council approved a resolution for resumption of Sino-Japanese trade and dispatch of a private Chinese trade mission to Japan next month.

The meeting also resolved that Japanese exports to China must be limited to goods urgently needed by this country for industrial reconstruction, and any Japanese attempt to dump cheap products in the Chinese market that be strictly prohibited.

The resolutions of the Executive Yuan and the Central Political Council favouring the reopening of trade with Japan will be submitted to the State Council tomorrow for final approval.

A high official source said that the Chinese Government's willingness to resume trade with Japan is based on a desire to win the friendship of the United States, for which reason China's foreign policy must not run counter to that of the United States.—Reuter.

as well. The Dutch Government established the islands of Bangka and Billiton, rich in tin, and the Riuw Archipelago, producer of bauxite, as autonomous territories in the projected United States of Indonesia. These territories all had been regarded as part of the republic—along with Java, Sumatra and Madura—under the Charter of Agreement of last March. The Dutch announcement would be elected for the three territories and authority given to the Government would reflect "the completely new relations which have come into being" lately.

Republic Communique

In other reports unconfirmed by the Dutch, the Republican communiqué today said the Indonesians had recaptured Bookaboeni, 65 miles south of Batavia, and were intensifying pressure upon Lawang, east Java, base for a Dutch thrust toward Malang, some 16 miles to the south.

Today's Dutch Army communiqué reported that in the Malang push the Dutch troops had passed Singosari, about halfway between Lawang and Malang. A front line dispatch reported the Dutch were halted at Singosari by roadblocks and bridge demolitions.

In west Java, the communiqué reported the Dutch made two advances and captured Santoso, 18 miles south of Batavia, and 20 miles north of the Indian Ocean coastline.—Associated Press.

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WAR CRIMES THEFT

Tokyo, July 31. Important documents relating to the trial of major Japanese war criminals were stolen from a car belonging to Ben B. Blakeney, defence counsel for the International Military Tribunal for the Far East.

The papers, which were contained in a brief case, were removed by smashing one of the car's windows while it was parked by a house in a Tokyo suburb.

Blakeney is counsel for Yoshitomo Umezu and Shigenori Togo.—United Press.

Dr. Evatt's Talks In Tokyo

Tokyo, July 31. Dr. Evatt, Australian Minister for External Affairs, today met for the first time leading Japanese politicians and trade unionists.

The Prime Minister, Tetsu Katayama, and the Foreign Minister, Hiroshi Ashida, called on Dr. Evatt at Commonwealth House.

Discussions between Dr. Evatt and the Japanese leaders, which lasted one hour, centred on the new Japanese constitution, and were described by Dr. Evatt as "completely informal."

Dr. Evatt also saw Mr. K. Matsuoaka, Speaker of the House of Representatives and leader of the "trade union movement in Japan." They discussed the history of trade unionism throughout the world, its present development in Japan and plans for the future.—Reuter.

American Baseball

New York, July 31. In the American League, catcher Yogi Berra hit a homer with bases loaded as New York defeated Detroit 8-5. Yankee hurler Joe Page also hit for a circuit.

In the National League, pitcher Ewell Blackwell struck out consecutive batters as New York beat 10 as New York came from behind to upset Cincinnati 6-4 in 10 innings.

Blackwell was within two outs of his 17th straight win in the ninth when Clint right fielder Willard Marshall tied the count with his 27th homer of the season. Clint shortstop Buddy Kerr's single in the 10th drove in the winning run.

Lawn Bowls Teams

The following have been chosen to represent the Kowloon Bowling Green Club against Indian Recreation Club on Saturday at 4 p.m. at the K.B.G.C.

E.F. Pope, N.S. Stevens, J.G. Meyer and S.Randell (skip).
B.H. Rose, F.W. Wilkinson, Dr. I. Newton and A.J. Hall (skip).
R. P. Phillips, V.C. Dixon, R. Morrison and J. MacKellvie (skip).

F. Redden, K.C. Hamilton, J.F. MacGowan and A.C. Aitken (skip).

The following will represent Craigengower in a Lawn Bowls game against Club de Recreio at King's Park on Saturday, August 2 at 4 p.m. sharp.

J.W. Leonard, L.C.N. Souza, A.E. Coates and B.W. Bradbury (skip).

A.A. Razack, G.S. Ladd, K.M. Omar and U.M. Omar (skip).
R. Bala, W. Hong Sling, A.M. Omar and J.S. Landolt (skip).

The following will represent Indian Recreation Club against K.C.C. in a friendly game on Saturday at 4 p.m. at King's Road.

M. Razack, S.A. Hussain, U.A. Rumi, and J. Hosen (skip).
S.S. Hussain, A.J. Hussain, S. Yusuf and A.M. Wahab (skip).
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JACK PATERSON DECISION

Boxer Deprived Of All Titles

Glasgow Fiasco Sequel

London, July 30. The British Boxing Board of Control today deprived Jackie Paterson, Glasgow flyweight, of his world, British Empire and British flyweight championship titles as a result of his failure to weigh in for his world-title fight against the Hawaiian, Dado Marino, in Glasgow on July 16.

The board named Dado Marino as the leading contender for the new, vacant world title.

The BBBC made their decision at a 2 1/2-hour meeting in London today attended by Paterson and the Glasgow promoter, Charlie Black. Administrative stewards of the board were specially called for the meeting to discuss the Paterson and Marino fight.

Following the meeting, this official statement was issued:

"At a special meeting of the British Boxing Board of Control held today, the administrative stewards discussed Paterson's failure to weigh in at Glasgow on July 16 to defend his world flyweight title against Dado Marino.

"After having doctors' and inspectors' reports read and Paterson appeared before them, the stewards unanimously came to the conclusion that there was nothing in Paterson's physical condition to prevent him from presenting himself at the weighing at 2 p.m.

No Appeal
"They, therefore, decided that he forfeits his titles of flyweight champion of Great Britain, the British Empire and the world and such titles are declared vacant.

The stewards further declare Dado Marino as the leading contender for the vacant world title and agree that in the event of a contest being arranged between Dado Marino and Rinty Monaghan—Irish flyweight champion—they will recognize the same as being for the flyweight championship of the world."

After the meeting Charles Don, mail, secretary of the board, said that under regulations, Paterson would not be able to appeal against the board's decision.

Titbit Of The Goodwood Meeting

(From Vernon Morgan, Reuters Sports Editor)
Goodwood, Sussex, July 30.

The titbit of today's racing at Goodwood was the two-horse race between two of Britain's greatest three-year-olds, Combat and Petition, in the Sussex Stakes over one mile.

Although Sir Alfred Butt's Petition had not been seen on a racecourse since his accident in the Two Thousand Guineas at Newmarket, this son of Fair Trial was backed at odds-on to lower the colours of the unbeaten Combat, owned by Mr. John Dewar.

But Combat, stout-hearted son of Big Game, ridden by the champion jockey, Gordon Richards, recorded his ninth successive victory in winning comfortably by one and a half lengths.

Fans are now beginning to wonder whether Combat, who has obviously been under-rated, might not have won the Derby had he started for it in place of, or as well as, his stable companion, Tudor Minstrel.

Both Petition and Combat are entered for the St. Leger, but neither may run in this last classic.

Mr. Dewar, Gordon Richards and trainer Fred Darling brought off the double when the filly Phaetona scored a comfortable win in the Molecomb Stakes over five furlongs, but they had a rude shock when Darling's own filly Goblet, a daughter of the Derby winner, Owen Tudor, was unplaced, although starting at even money, in a field of sixteen.

The winner was Sir Malcolm Macalpine's Native Heath, a daughter of Scottish Union. Goblet's failure robbed Richards of four winners, as he had taken three races when Miss Dorothy Page's Daily Mail, starting at long odds-on, sprinted away from his solitary opponent, Sir Edward, in the King George VI Stakes over six furlongs.

The Stakes

The chief prize of the day was the Goodwood Stakes, run over two miles three furlongs, which fell to the four-year-old mare, Strathmore, starting at 100 to eight.

This daughter of Turnham, taking part in her last race before being retired to the stud in Elre, won in a canter by four lengths.

Before today's racing opened, the jockeys were called together by the stewards and told to keep a straight course.

Another huge crowd packed all enclosures in brilliant sunshine. It was today announced that yesterday's official attendance, apart from many thousands who watched from vantage points, was 44,000, which is easily a record for this century-old course.—Reuter.

World Cycle Records

Paris, July 30. Italian riders won the amateur and professional pursuit events in the world cycling championships at the Parc des Princes today. Fausto Coppi taking the professional title in the world record time of 6 minutes 16-1/5 seconds for the 5-kilometre course.

In the final Coppi beat his competitor Antonio Bevilacqua by more than a hundred yards. The previous world record for

Swimming Gala At Kennedy TN.

A swimming gala in aid of the Kwangtung and Kwang Flood Relief Fund, sponsored by the Chung Shing Benevolent Society, the Chinese Y.M.C.A. and the Lai Tau Swimming Association, was held at the Chung Shing Bathing Pavilion, Kennedy Town, on Sunday.

Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Chairman of the Chung Shing Benevolent Society, appealed for donations to the Flood Relief Fund.

Mr. Li Ta-chao, Director of the Kuomintang Office, Hong Kong and Macao Region, emphasised the seriousness of the floods, which had caused unprecedented damage in both Provinces.

Mr. Li also referred to the drought in North China and exhorted all Chinese to exert themselves in an effort to raise funds to assist the victims and for the reconstruction of dams and other works along the rivers connecting the two Provinces.

Mr. Li spoke of the contributions which had been made by the Hong Kong Government and the Government of Macao towards the Flood Relief Fund and stressed the fact that the magnanimity of these two Governments was much appreciated by the Chinese people.

Mr. Li said that so long as democratic Governments were prepared to thus come to the assistance of those in need, everlasting world peace was assured.

Glamorgan Pair's Fine Record

London, July 30. Only eight County sides were engaged in County championship games commencing today. In the match between Essex and Surrey, wickets fell fast, with Essex a little ahead on the completion of the first innings.

Derbyshire, chasing the Joint leaders, Middlesex and Gloucestershire, had a good day against Leicestershire, who with nine wickets to fall are 310 runs behind in the first innings.

Emery Davies (119) and Dyson (90) added 201 runs for the first wicket for Glamorgan against Hampshire at Southampton. It was their third successive century partnership and their 30th hundred stand for the Welsh county. Davies hit 15 fours and Dyson hit eight fours in four and a half hours.

Bob Wyatt, former England captain, batted four hours for 143, including two sixes and 18 fours.

Scores

The close of play scores were:
At Chelmsford: Essex 182 (Pearce 54, Bedser five for 30) and 16 for no wickets. Surrey 144 (Peter Smith five for 42).

At Southampton: Glamorgan 325 for nine (E. Davies 119, Dyson 90, Jones 25) against Hampshire.

At Leicester: Derbyshire 357 (Elliott 70, Engar 105), Leicestershire 38 for one.

At Worcester: Worcestershire 376 for eight (Wyatt 143, White 70), Northamptonshire to bat.

At Bristol: Combined Services 219 (Paton 51, Cook five for 60), Gloucestershire 127 for two.

At Edgbaston: Scottish Cricket Union 158 (Nichol 54, Hollies seven for 61), Warwickshire 184 for six.—Reuter.

BETTER LEARN TO PUTT FIRST

Cincinnati, Ohio, July 31. Bobby Locke, South African golf star and top money winner in the current United States season, thinks British professionals had better not challenge Americans until they learn something about the art of putting.

Locke, whose accurate putting won him seven first prizes in 11 starts, said: "British boys play good golf from the tee to the green, but on the green they simply do not have the confidence of the Americans. So that's why the Ryder cup matches are impossible."

The South African called American professionals "magnificent putters" and added that he could not name a single top professional who wasn't a good putter.

Contrasting Henry Cotton with the average American professional, Locke said: "Henry takes 40 to 42 putts on a round, yet he plays in 71 or 72."

Associated Press.

NEW PRESIDENT SAILING

San Francisco, July 31. The American President Lines announced today that it would charter the former troop transport, Marine Swallow, from the Maritime Commission for the Oriental service with the sailing scheduled from San Francisco on August 22.

The Marine Swallow, which carries 608 passengers, will call at Honolulu, Manila, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Yokohama.—Associated Press.

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